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REPATRIATION - POLICY - POLES.

FIRST JACKET.

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CONTROL COMMISSION
FOR GERMANY
RECORDS & ARCHIVES

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32/G
SUBJECT: Polish Repatriation

5 PW & DP Division,
Control Commission for Germany (BE),
BUNDE.



27 Dec 45.

Ref your PWDP/16032/G/Exec.1. of 24 Dec 45.

1. We have informed the Polish Repatriation Mission that
BEDNARCZYK cannot be found at BAD SACHSA. They are making
further enquiries.

2. The map reference of HAMPENHAUSEN is SHEET L52 (1/250000)
C 0141.

Thy
Letter to 1 Corp
Ext: 2338
Control Commission for Germany (BE),
BAD OEYNHAUSEN, B.A.O.R.
/WGAP.

See 102A
M. J. M. M. M.
Colonel,
CLO,
Allied Liaison.

Ext: 2760

Ref: PWDP/16032/
G/Exec.1.

HQ PW & DP Division
Main HQ
Control Commission for
Germany (BE)
BUNDE
B.A.O.R.

29 Dec 45.

Allied Liaison
(for attention of Maj. PETERS),
H.Q. B.A.O.R.

SUBJECT: POLISH Refugees.

1. Attached please find copy of
30 Corps District memorandum 207/MG
dated 22 Dec 45.
2. It is requested that your comments
be forwarded to this Division.

JH
J.M. JEFFREY, Flt/Off,
for Brigadier,
Chief, PW & DP Division.

JMJ/JPP

16032/G

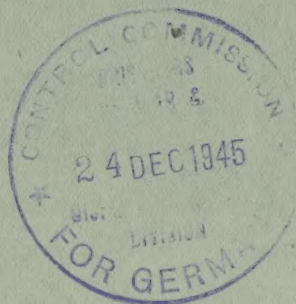
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Tele. Extn. 720.

SUBJECT:- POLISH Refugees.

HQ 30 Corps District,
207/MG,
22 Dec 45.

FW & DP Div,
Main HQ,
Control Commission for GERMANY (BE),
BUNDE,
B.A.O.R.



*See 5A
2nd jacket*

1. The att report on two POLISH boys who have reached this ZONE from POLAND, is fwd for infm.
2. As it would appear that they have evaded mil service in their own country, may it be stated whether they may be forcibly repatriated.

Peters/Ci:Ruse spoke
- N.F.A. - Inqū it!
PRAF/CRJ

APO/R/UR/SDS/H

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Brigadier,
Chief of Staff,
30 Corps District.

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Copy to:- 819 (R) Mil Gov Det.

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Subject:- Information - DP Travel

44/128/UNR

18 Dec 45.

To: 819 (R) Mil Gov Det

From: UNRRA Team 128

The following is submitted as a matter of interest and information.

Two Polish boys, age about 16, registered at this camp yesterday. After questioning the following story was given the undersigned.

On or about 6th Dec. 45 they left the village of Bydgoz, Poland. The reason they left was because the Polish military, under the jurisdiction of the Russian military, desired to place them in some form of military unit. Rather than be placed in this unit they made their way to the Russian frontier and crossed to the English Zone with a group of Germans. They claim that they were neither stopped nor questioned along the line of travel. They claim to have sold some of their bread, which they had carried with them, in Berlin for German marks with which they travelled by train to Hannover. Hannover would not accept them because they stated they were filled up and recommended that they travel on to Osnabruck where they reported to this camp.

Further questioning disclosed that seemingly, all Poles who have been repatriated are now attempting to make their way back to the British Zone. To use their own words "everybody is trying to get out of Poland."

It is thought that perhap British Intelligence might like to interview these boys. If so, they can be made available at any time.

OSM/md

Signed -----

Obie S. Mueeting, Director
UNRRA Team 128

16032/G 92A/2

Control Commission for Germany (British Element)

Incoming Unclassified Message

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Col 'GS'

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GS 111 (a)

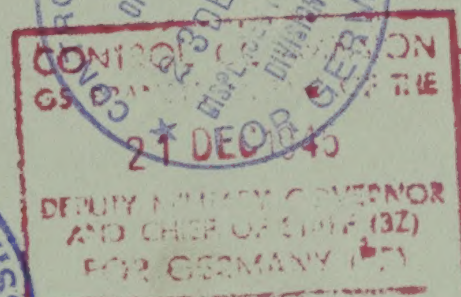
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FROM: EXFOR

TO: BROADNESS FIVE

INFO: CONCOMB



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DTO 201700A
TOR 210115A

SD 2891.

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REF OUR SD 2838 OF 17 DEC. UNIT REQUIRED UNTIL 31 JAN 46 AND NOT
REPEAT NOT 31 JUN 46 AS PREVIOUSLY STATED.

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M & M.C.

PW DP Div

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Note by M & M.C.

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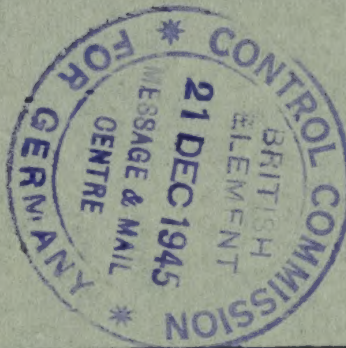
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FROM: EXFOR

TO: BROADNESS FIVE

INFO: CONCOMB



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DTO 171225A
TOR 172035A

SD 2838

YOUR 641 OF 1 NOV.

TEAM NOW REQUIRED TO SCREEN EX-WEHRMACHT POLES PRIOR TO THEIR
REPATRIATION TO POLAND UNDER IMMINENT SCHEME OF REPATRIATION OF
POLISH DISARMED PERSONNEL.

REQUEST THIS UNIT BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN UNDER COMD EXFOR UNTIL

31 JUN 46.

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TO 'G' 181430A

Ext: 2760

Ref: PWDP/16032/
G/Exec.1.

HQ PW & DP Division
Main HQ
Control Commission for
Germany (BE)
BUNDE
B.A.O.R.

9/6A

24 Dec 45.

Allied Liaison,
(attn. Polish Repatriation Mission),
HQ BAOR.

SUBJECT: Polish Repatriation

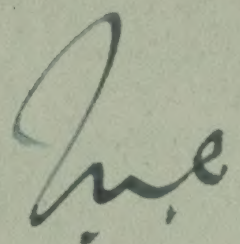
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Ref your BAOR/17497/1/AL of
22 Nov 45.

1. HQ 30 Corps District reports that
there is no trace of EDWARD BEDNARCZYK at
BAD SACHSA.

2. It would be appreciated if the map
reference of HAMPENHAUSEN could be given
(ref PWDP/16032/G/Exec.1 dated 12 Dec 45)
so that the necessary enquiries can be
made.

JNC/JPP


J.N. CLITHEROE, Major,
for Brigadier,
Chief, PW & DP Division.

95A
Tele Extn 743

SUBJECT.- POLISH Repatriation.

HQ 30 Corps District.
248/DP.
18 Dec 45.

PW & DP Div.
Main HQ.
Control Commission for GERMANY(BE).
BUNDE, BAOR.

89A
Ref your PWDP/16032/G/Exec 1, dated 30 Nov 45.

2. There is no trace of BEDNARCZYK at BAD SACHSA.

Seen fine
RB/WE

APC/R/UR/SDS/H



[Signature]
Lt-Gen.
Commanding 30 Corps.

[Handwritten note:]
Await replies from
1 Corps & 8 Corps.

MESSAGE AND MAIL CENTRE

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (BRITISH ELEMENT)

Incoming UNCLASSIFIED Message

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TO: BROADNESS FIVE

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HQ PW & DP Division.

Main HQ

Control Commission for Germany (CC)

BUNDE.

BACR.

12 Dec. 45.

To: Allied Liaison
(Attn POLISH REPATRIATION Mission)

SUBJECT:- Polish Government's Requests for
Priority - Repatriation.

Reference your BACR/17497/1/AL of 22 Nov 45
and attached nominal roll of Poles.

1. The address of WIPERMAUSEN, (ref para 6 of nominal roll) is not known.
2. May a map reference be given please.

JNC/MUN

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J.A. Clitheroe Maj.
for Brigadier.
Chief, PW & DP Division.

SUBJECT:- Polish Repatriation

606/8/MG

8 Dec, 45

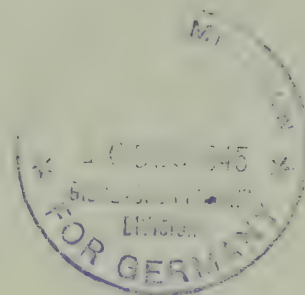
HQ, PWDP Division,
Main HQ, Control Commission for GERMANY(BW)
BULDE

Ref PWDP/16032/G/Exec 1 of 30 Nov, 45.

1. The address of HAMFENHAUSEN is not known here.
2. May a map reference be given please.

Ext 308
Mil Gov (DPs)
ISPERLOHN
MDI/GC
~~REG/UR/DRLS/HAND~~

Admiral S/ks
for Brigadier
DD Mil Gov, 1 Corps District



16037/G

MEMO

90A

SUBJECT: Polish Newspaper published by PW/IOC

1. Brigadier KE CHINGTON stated at his morning conference that this newspaper should be used to propagate the scheme of repatriating Poles.
2. Please forward by 2 Dec to this Section in order of priority the themes you wish included in such propaganda.

H.R. James
H.R. JAMES, Major,
Exec. 3.

1000/94700/1/Exec 3

30 NOV 1945

To: Policy (DP)
Exec 1
Exec 2

Copy to U.S.A.

1001/JM.

✓ See file
Exec 2 has forwarded
their requirements.

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SECRET-100

By the National
Council for the
National Association for the
National Association for the
National Association for the

20 Nov. 1950

1. 1 Corps District (all new)
2. 2 Corps District (all new Admin)
3. 3 Corps District (all new)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. National is a national bill of 10 persons for whom the National Provisional Government is most priority in registration.
2. It is estimated that registration of a man's name on this list does not necessarily mean that he himself has decided to be registered.
3. Any inquiries be made to ascertain if any of the persons mentioned above to return to service.

W. C. Sullivan, Major

W. C. Sullivan, Major
for Registrar
Chief, 1st Division

W. C. Sullivan

SUBJECT :-

Polish Repatriation

BAOR/17497/3/AL

PW & DP Division,
Control Commission for Germany (BE),
BUNDE

22 NOV 45

Further to our BAOR/17497/1/AL dated 21 NOV 45 we enclose a further nominal roll of 14 persons for whom the Polish Provisional Government requests priority in evacuation. The Polish Repatriation Mission has no further names outstanding.

It is emphasized that inclusion of a man's name on this list does NOT necessarily mean that he himself has elected to return to Poland.

1. Review of list
2. List

Ext 2161
HQ BAOR
LJ.

1. Review of list
2. List
Colonel
CLO
Allied Liaison

3 NOV 45

POLISH
Repatriation Mission

Polish Repatriation Mission
British Zone
L.dz.20/45-P.

Bad.-O., 22. Nov. 1945

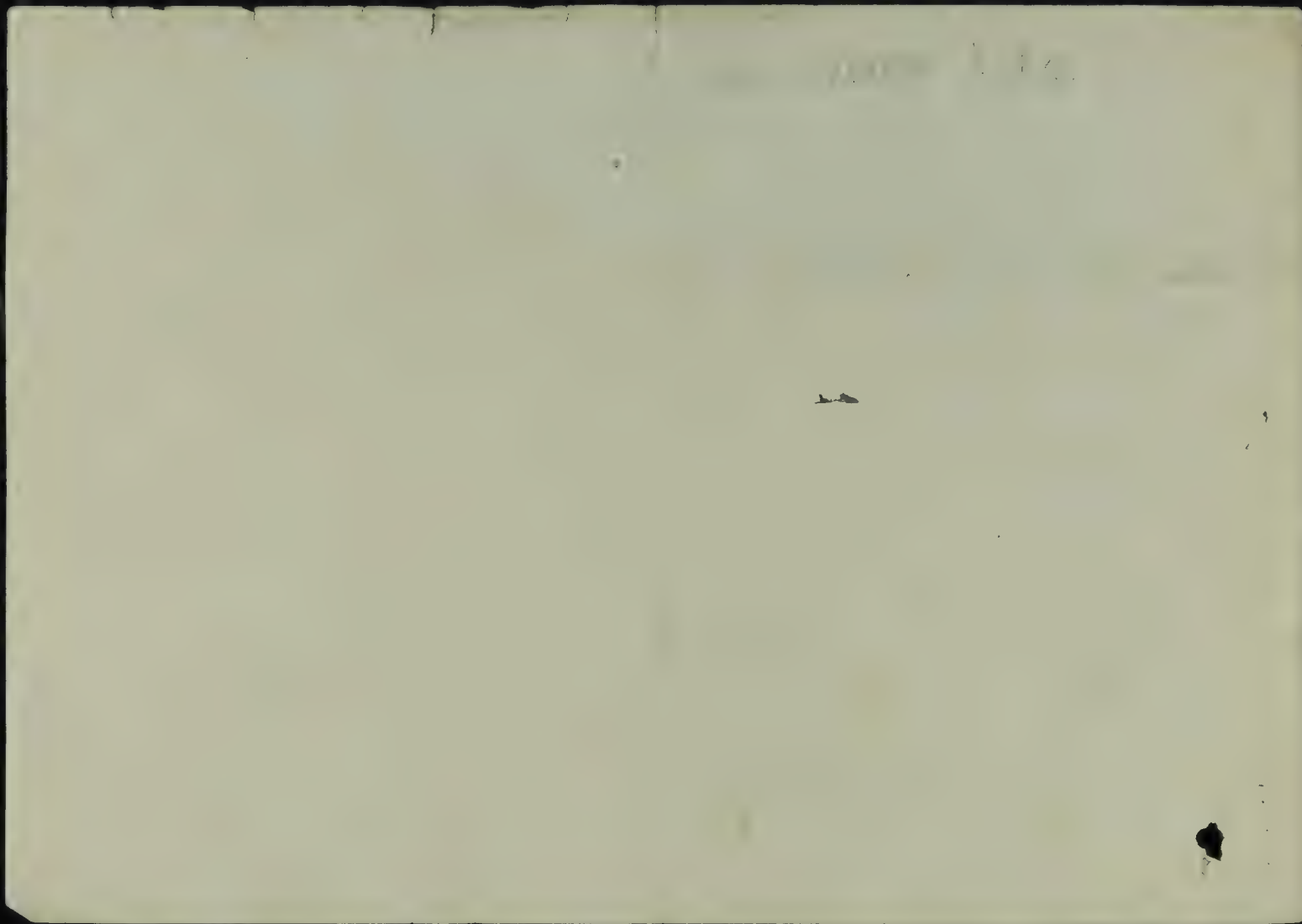
Nominal roll of Poles required by Polish Government

Surname N. and name	Occupation	required by	Latest address in British Zone
1. Cydzik Jacek	Engineer	Reconstruction office of Polish Capital	Assemble of X. Bat. at Lubeck Nr. 4a Alwelslohe Kem. 3Pl.
2. Malisz Boleslaw	architect	Repatriation office	Offic. Camps in Däl- menhorst by Bremen
3. Lurezynski Mieczyslaw	-	Ministry of Re- construction	Camp at Hannover
4. Bylica Jerzy	Notary	Ministry of Justice	Camp at Brausch- weig
5. Bednarczyk Edward	<i>the true</i>	Repatriation office	Bar Sachsa in Harz Gebirge
6. Medynski Jan Stanislaw	✓ Engineer	Ministry of Communication	Hampenhausem, district Warburg in Westfalen
7. Wejchert Lucjan	architect	Ministry of Reconstruction	Lubeck 8 Cos
8. Wejchert Kazim.	"	"	"
9. cap. Golinski Jan	"	Reconstruction office of Polish capital	Rumpeln-Recherst by Lubeck
10. 2/lt. Balabaszewski Henryk	"	"	"
11. Zew-awski Jan	"	"	Stalag N.X A by Lubeck
12. Filipkowski Stanislaw	"	Repatriation office	Lubeck
13. Dekert Wacława	- / -	"	Ahrbergen by Hildesheim distr. Hannover
14. Wieczorek Broni- slawa	✓ <i>the true</i>	"	Selingen Polish Camp. "Warsow"



Chief
of the Polish Repatriation Mission

[Signature]
/maj. Tataj Jan/



MESSAGE AND MAIL CENTRE

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (BRITISH ELEMENT)

Incoming SECRET CIPHER Message

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IMPORTANT

FROM: BROADNESS FIVE (1)
TO: BRITISH ARMY STAFF FRANCE
INFO: EXFOR G(SD), B M M FRANCE
BRITMILAT PARIS
CCNCOMB

IY 20680
PTO 141215 Z
TOR 151305

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OUR 586* OF 1ST SEPTEMBER.

REQUEST INFORMATION NUMBER OF POLISH TROOPS AS DEFINED OUR 589 OF 6TH
SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERING RETURN POLAND AND ACTION TAKEN TO SERVE. ALLEGATIONS
MADE BY POLISH AMBASSADOR PARIS THAT FLEMISCITE WERE HELD UNDER BRITISH AMBICES
AS RESULT OF WHICH 2750 POLES ELECTED REPATRIATION POLAND. MOVE OF FIRST
THOUSAND REPORTED TO HAVE STARTED 25TH OCTOBER.

REQUEST YOU CONFIRM WHETHER (A) FLEMISCITE IN FACT HELD OR IF FULL
EXPLANATION THAT OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER REMAINED OPEN AND GIVEN (B) 2750
POLES ELECTING REPATRIATION WERE POLISH TROOPS AS DEFINED OUR 589 OF 6TH
SEPTEMBER OR DISPLACED PERSONS

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Text: 2760

REF: PMOP/16032/2/Exec.1.

HQ PMDP Division

Main HQ

Control Commission for Germany (MC)

Bünde

B.A.O.R.

3 Nov 45

British Military Mission,
Dagmarhus,
COPENHAGEN.

SUBJECT: Self-repatriation of POLISH DP/PMX from DENMARK

Ref your C/DP/15/26 of 16 Oct 45 and conversation
GRAY/CLIMBERG of 26 Oct 45.

It is considered that the Polish Repatriation Mission
in COPENHAGEN should deal with the problems of attempted self-
repatriation of POLISH DPs via DENMARK and if necessary
request the DANISH authorities to take action.

Received
Brigadier,
Chief, PMDP Division

JAC/JFP

at: 741

SUBJECT:- Repatriation of POLES.

HQ 30 Corps District.

248/DP.

31 Oct 45.

PW & DP Division,
Main HQ.,
Control Commission for GERMANY(BE),
BUNDE, B.A.O.R.

1. Colonel BANACH, head of the Polish Military Mission, Rhine Army, visited the PWX in HANNOVER a short time ago. He produced the following disquieting story, which was also substantiated from other sources. 2 Polish Officers representing the WARSAW Govt had come to Rhine Army HQ and stated that anyone responsible for returning POLES to POLAND would be hanged on their own return to POLAND; that there were four million people on the move in POLAND without food or shelter and that the WARSAW Govt were not yet ready to receive POLES from the West.

2. This is not the first time that Polish Liaison officers working for the British Army have been attacked by the WARSAW Govt, but it is the first time that a delegation - which must at least be semi-official - visiting the British Zone has been reported as stating so strongly what many Polish L.Os. fear.

3. Could the posn please be clarified.

*Phoned Barclay
re above and
decided no further
action to be taken.*
LJD/TH
LEO/L/UR/SUC/H
24 Nov. 45

[Signature]
Lt.Gen.
Comd 30 Corps.

/// PASS THIS ///
Folio To EXPO

Tel: Ext 2754

Ref: P.DP/58062/Pol

PW & DP Division, Main HQ,
Control Commission for
Germany (B.E.),
BUNDE, B.A.O.R.

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20 Oct 45.

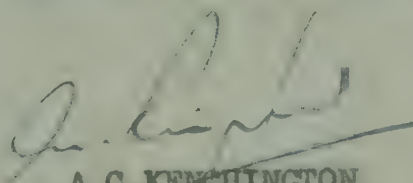
To: PR & ISC Group,
Control Commission for
Germany (B.E.),
Tax House,
LUBBECKE, B.A.O.R.

SUBJECT: Press Release

1. The attached Press Release produced by this Division has been approved by Brig Britten, who requests that it be cleared with the following before submission to the D.M.G. :-

Political Division
Col Ross (Allied Liaison)
G(Ops BAOR)

2. Will you please inform this Division of final clearance so that a printed notice for publication in DP Camps can be arranged.


A.G. KENNINGTON,
Brigadier,
Chief, PW & DP Div.

✓ Copy to: Exec 1

CCKR/MMM

PRESS RELEASE

Polish Repatriation

The repatriation of Polish Displaced Persons which was begun on 13 October has now returned no less than thousand Poles to their homeland.

Unfortunately, the coming of winter will close the present over-land route in the next few weeks and keep it impassable until spring. It is possible that a few more thousands will be returned by other methods, but about thousands must spend this winter in Germany.

This will come as a great disappointment to large numbers of Poles who have already forcibly spent long years away from their homes and who must of necessity wait longer for relief of their anxieties as to the welfare of relations and friends in Poland. But the movement which has already taken place has at least relieved the fears of those who after so many months waiting without any signs of repatriation, had begun to think that they might never return to their homeland.

It is also likely that the return of thousands of Poles to Poland during the bitter central European winter, would greatly strain the resources of the newly formed administration, perhaps resulting in hardship and privation to those newly arrived. However, though it is difficult for them to appreciate it, those who remain in Germany will be provided with the essentials of food, clothing and shelter while they remain in the care of the British Military authorities and CARRA, and in addition to these essentials, every effort is being made by a sympathetic administration to provide facilities and constructive encouragement to activities which will help to speed the winter.

Much depends upon the Poles who remain, and it is certain that their own efforts are essential to assist the Military authorities in their aim to return a mentally and physically healthy people to Poland when spring comes to Europe.

19 Oct 45

CORR/RE

10022/G

TIME OF RELEASE:
1300A 27 Oct 44.

Statement by Dr. Henryk STRASBURGER,

Polish Ambassador in London.

Dr. Henryk Strasburger, Polish Ambassador in London, in an interview with the Editor of "Wiedomosci" (The Polish News) made the following statement:

To return to one's native country is the foremost natural desire of any man or woman, and of Polish people in particular.

We wish to do everything possible in order to facilitate the return of our people to Poland. We would welcome, on the one hand, fresh forces with new ideas and determination to rebuild our ravaged country. We at the same time understand the anxiety and longing of those people who for so many difficult years of war have been cut off from their native land and their families.

We know that the British authorities share the same opinion and desire and that they wish to co-operate in helping our people to return to Poland.

In the first instance they wish to help to repatriate those Poles who are at present on German territory occupied by our Allies and so. These Poles have suffered considerably more than those who took refuge in other countries and have therefore a right to be repatriated at the hands of the Germans.

Let these of our people on German territory be assured of full understanding and sincere desire to help from the British side as well as complete co-operation of the Polish authorities.

These people should help the British authorities in the task of repatriation by complying with the necessary regulations to facilitate an orderly evacuation.

Repatriation is in full motion but for technical reasons and with the oncoming winter months, we cannot give our assurance that all those desiring to return will be repatriated in the near future.

We estimate that of the 300,000 Poles on German territory who have expressed the desire for immediate return to Poland, not more than 100,000 can be evacuated before the winter sets in. The complete evacuation of the whole 300,000 will probably take about six months.

Poland is in particular need of citizens, strong both physically and morally, with determined and disciplined minds.

I therefore appeal to all my countrymen desiring to return to their native land to exercise patience and in the meantime use their time in fortifying their physical and moral strength.

I have the assurance of the British authorities that Poles on German territory will continue to receive food to the amount of 2,100 calories, that is 600 calories more than allowed to the Germans.

The British authorities have also expressed their readiness to give assistance and protection to those Poles to which the Polish Government and people of Poland will add their wholehearted support.

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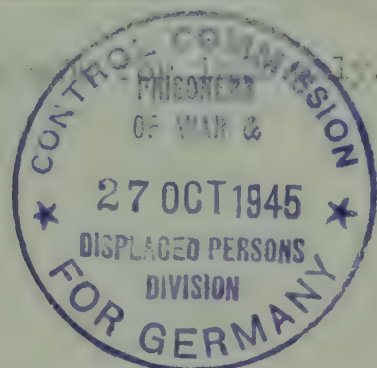
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HQ PW & DP Division
Main HQ
Control Commission for Germany (HC)
BUNDE
B.A.O.R.

Ref: PWDP/35825/Exco 2.

21 Oct 45.

HQ British Tps BERLIN Mil Gov.

SUBJECT: Polish DPs in BERLIN.

Reference your MGBA/8544/DP dated 20 Sep 45.

1. The policy for dealing with Polish nationals who arrive in the British Sector of BERLIN was outlined in this HQ letter 21 A Op/35825/MGB(b) dated 7 Aug 45.
2. Polish nationals will only be allowed to enter your DP Centre and be evacuated to the British Zone when it is dangerous for them to be left in the Russian Zone or to return to POLAND.
3. The fact that they merely do not wish to return to POLAND is not a sufficient reason for allowing them to enter your centre and be evacuated to the British Zone.
4. If for instance this was allowed, it is obvious that eventually all Poles now in the Russian Zone who do not wish to return to POLAND would be evacuated through your centre to the British Zone. This is a commitment which we could not possibly accept and it would also be quite wrong to allow the Russians to evade their responsibilities towards the Poles in this manner.
4. Delay in answering is regretted.


Brigadier.
Chief, PW & DP Division.

/MIL.

Copy to: Policy Sec.,
X.1.

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Re PMH/16032/0/1000.1.

1st AF & AF Division
Main (M)
Control Division for
Germany (M)
BRM
S. A. U. R.

26 Oct 45

Will Gov AF 30 Corps

Subject: - Repatriation of POWs

1. It has been reported by the Senior PMH (M) L.O. for displaced persons that several POWs are arriving in Germany expecting to get transport direct to PMH (M).
2. It is pointed out that only POWs who go with the official repatriation parties will be accepted and allowed to proceed to PMH (M).
3. May this please be brought to the notice of all PMH (M) requiring repatriation.

h.c.

JHC/1000

Brigadier,
Chief, AF & AF Division.

6032/G

MESSAGE AND MAIL CENTRE

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (BRITISH ELEMENT)

Incoming RESTRICTED Message



IY 14168
DTO 171520B
TOR 180200A

IMPORTANT

FROM: BERCOMB
TO: CONCOMB

BGCC 1586 FWDP/59808/8.

SUBJECT IS REPATRIATION OF POLISH DP'S AND HAS NO REFERENCE TO ARMED FORCES.

1. POLISH REPRESENTATIVES CALLED ON CHIEF OF STAFF THIS MORNING AND REPEATED PREVIOUS REQUESTS FOR NEW LIAISON OFFICERS IN THE ZONE AND FOR DISTRIBUTION OF POLISH NEWSPAPERS TO CAMPS.
2. CHIEF OF STAFF AGREED TO ADMIT POLISH LIAISON OFFICERS TO HELP IN REPATRIATION SUBJECT TO YOUR ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE. POLES NOW STATE NUMBERS WOULD NOT EXCEED 25 ALL RANKS AND SUGGEST YOU MAY PREFER TO DISTRIBUTE TO CORPS DISTRICTS OR AS CONVENIENT TO YOU.
3. NEWSPAPERS. CHIEF OF STAFF AGREED THAT THESE SHOULD BE PERMITTED SUBJECT TO FOLLOWING :-
 - (A) FACTUAL NOT POLITICAL.
 - (B) SUBJECT TO SCRUTINY BY YOU BEFORE DISTRIBUTION.
 - (C) DISTRIBUTED BY YOU NOT BY POLES.
 - (D) ONLY SO MANY PAPERS AS COULD BE CONVENIENTLY SCRUTINISED BY YOU WOULD BE ALLOWED.
4. REQUEST YOUR COMMENTS ON SECOND AND THIRD ABOVE.
5. REQUEST YOU INDICATE WHEN CHIEF POLISH LIAISON OFFICER MIGHT COME TO YOU TO ARRANGE DETAILS.

DTO 171520B

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F.W. & D.P. Div. (3) (For Action)
M & MC.

*Copy given to
May Gray*

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BRITISH MILITARY MISSION
DAGMARHUS
COPENHAGEN.

CA/DEN/15/26.

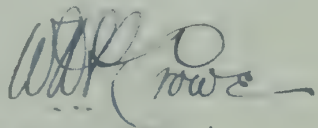
16 October 1945

SUBJECT :- Self-repatriation of Polish DP/PWX from DENMARK.

TO :- Control Commission for Germany (HE),
DP/PWX Division,
British Army of the Rhine,
B.A.O.R.



1. It has been reported to this Mission from a reliable source, that a number of Poles have recently crossed to BORNHOLM from COPENHAGEN either by normal ferry service or by small boats, and have subsequently succeeded in getting themselves returned to POLAND by the Russian forces.
2. It has not been possible to obtain accurate figures, as to date no check has been kept on the ferry service by the Danish Police. It is believed, however, that at least 70 have crossed to BORNHOLM and it is known that at least one man has confirmed his arrival in POLAND by telegram to friends in DENMARK.
3. Since the administration of Allied DP Camps is in the hands of the Danish Red Cross, the prevention of such illegal movement presents considerable problems. The nature and situation of DP Camps precludes any possibility of preventing the movement of DP's outside their camps, and it appears that prevention of embarkation for BORNHOLM will be the only possible solution to the problem.
4. The following steps have been taken to date :-
 - (i) The Danish Police have been requested to institute a control of all passengers embarking for BORNHOLM, and to arrest and return to camps any Poles or other Allied DP/PWX found attempting to embark.
 - (ii) The Senior Polish Liaison Officer for DENMARK has circularised all Polish camp leaders, re-emphasising that such self-repatriation is contrary to Rhine Army instructions, and also contrary to instructions recently issued over the WARSAW Radio.
 - (iii) A detailed report containing names and specific instances of self-repatriation has been called for from the Danish Red Cross.
5. It is considered that action taken in (i) and (ii) above will do much to limit such self-repatriation, but it is not considered possible to prevent determined individuals from reaching BORNHOLM by small boat. It would therefore appear that a request to the Russian authorities to arrest and return to DENMARK all Polish nationals reaching BORNHOLM presents the only completely effective solution, and your direction on this point is requested.


W.H.F. CROWE
Brigadier.
Head, British Military Mission,
DENMARK.

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VERAAR message 16 Oct. passed to
ref. Gray B. M. remark saying that
Poles could come from Sweden

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SUBJECT:- Repatriation - Poles.

80/519/34A/MG.

5 Oct 45 .

Tel 529 .

To:- HQ PW & DP Div
Main HQ
Control Commission for
Germany (BE)
BAD OEYNHAUSEN
BAOR.

For the attention of Lt Col LONGE.

Herewith copy of repatriation list as promised by
Lt Col GORMAN.

BAOR
F/T



E. Loganty.
Brig, major
DDMG,
HQ 8 Corps District.

Ref: PMP/16032/G/Exec.1.

Ref: PMP/16032/G/Exec.1.

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Chief of Division
in the
Control Commission for
Germany (CCG)
and
S.A.S.

5 Oct 45

The War Office
S.A.(L.S.)
Hotel Victoria
Northumberland Avenue
London W.C.2.

SUBJECT:- Notice to return

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Reference your TIR 000/10/138 of 3 Oct and this
is TIR PMP/1715 of 5 Oct.

Enclosed:-

- (a) Copy of letter PMP/16032/G/Exec.1(a) dated 28 Aug.
- (b) Copy of notice to return PMP and so.
- (c) Translation of (b).

Roll
Chief, PMP Division.

FORM 250-1/1-1

MY FORM C 2136 (Large)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

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Call

Srl No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

Office Date Stamp

FROM

Originator

Date-Time of Origin.

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For Action

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TO

(W) For information (INFO)

Message Instructions.

GR

Originator's No

P.D. 2725 (.) RECEIVED (.) Your 0000/01/15 dated 000000 (.)

Copy of notice to P.D. being forwarded fast air (.) This notice gave details as known of P.D. custom boundary and stated each P.D. would be asked in presence P.D. officer note are you willing to return to P.D. now under conditions as you have them in note

16032/G

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IMPORTANT



UAGP V WAROF 30614 'P - P' J
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FROM TROOPERS 031850A
TO CONCOMB
BT

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Division
PW & DP DIV

CCLB/BM/G/138 (.) RESTRICTED (.) FOR PW AND DP DIV (.)
FIRST (.) REQUEST SEND BY FAST AIR MAIL COPY OF PROFORMA
ISSUED TO POLES ASKING ~~WHETHER~~ WHETHER THEY DESIRE REPATRIATION
TO POLAND (.)

SECOND (.) FORWARD SAME TIME DETAILS OF INFORMATION GIVEN TO
POLES BEFORE SIGNING PROFORMA REGARDING CONDITIONS IN POLAND (.)
THREE (.) REQUEST TREAT AS URGENT

BT 031850A
CCLB/BM/G/138
BBBB'P' KKKK

See 72973

RD 2340

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SECRET

Subject: Repatriation of Polish Armed Forces

Control Commission for Germany (BE)
IN/DF Division.

BACR/OC/39793/1/CPS(A)

Reference telephone conversation of 29 September 1945.

1. Herewith two copies of brief on Repatriation of Polish Armed Forces, as requested.
2. It is pointed out that a copy for Mil Gov 8 was included with those forwarded to the Control Commission under our letter of the above reference dated 8 September 45.

G(CPS)
Ext 3196
29 September 1945



J. D. L. H. C.
Major General,
Chief of Staff,
British Army of the Rhine.

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IMMEDIATE

Subject: Repatriation of Polish Armed Forces

SECRET

Chief of Staff, British Zone

DIAG/CO/19792/1/Opd(A)

Herewith ...³... copies of Brief on Repatriation of Polish Armed Forces.

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HQ British Army of the Rhine,

8 September 1945

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Handwritten signature

Major-General,
Chief of Staff.

Copy to: Main HQ Control Commission (8) (incl copy for Mil Com 8)

Brig. C L. Richardson

G(SD) (3)

A(Coord)

G(Maint)

G(M) (2)

allied Liaison

BRIEF ON REPATRIATION OF POLISH ARMED FORCESDEFINITION

1. Polish Armed Forces are defined as "Men who have been enlisted with the Polish Armed Forces under British control. All others regardless of status 1939 - 40 Polish Army will be regarded as Displaced Persons" (War Office message 586 of 1 September, copy attached at Appendix 'A').

COMPOSITION

2. Polish Armed Forces concerned will come from:-
 - (a) British Army of the Rhine (30 Corps District)

1 Polish Armoured Division	-	15,886
1 Polish Parachute Brigade	-	4,147 (1147)
<u>POLISH RHU.</u>	-	1077

 (These figures do not include Naval or Air Force personnel).
 - (b) United Kingdom - about 60,000
 - (c) France - about 200.
3. Approximate numbers so far elected to return to Poland are:-
 - (a) British Army of the Rhine - 400 (most recent estimate but census not yet completed).
 - (b) United Kingdom - 13,000 (will probably rise)
 - (c) France - Not known.

METHOD OF REPATRIATION

4. War Office have asked that it be cleared at this Conference that Polish Armed Forces may be repatriated through Displaced Persons channels. War Office have no objection to a unit travelling as such if sufficient volunteers from that unit justify it. United Kingdom will send 500 per day to British Zone once repatriation starts (Troopers 68916 SD5 of 24 August, copy attached at Appendix 'B', also Troopers 70139 SD5 of 29 August at Appendix 'C' and Headquarters, British Army of the Rhine message GO 301A of 31 August at Appendix 'D').
5. It is also understood that Displaced Persons are going to be repatriated as follows:-
 - (a) By Road and Rail - 6,000 per day using British transport. (This could be increased to 10,000 if necessary).
 - (b) By Sea - The question of movement by sea is subject to availability of shipping and other factors now under discussion.
A separate brief on this subject is to be submitted by Q(Mov).

GENERAL

6. Polcs Electing to Return to Poland
 - (a) In 30 Corps District the number electing to return is, at present, small. They are not being segregated. There is no victimisation. (Allied Liaison letter BAOR/17497/1/AL of 3 September, copy attached at Appendix 'E').

.../(b) They

- (b) They will take with them their personal arms and equipment (Troopers 70139 SD5 of 29 August, copy attached at Appendix 'C').
- (c) Scale of clothing and necessities has been laid down (Troopers 71020 Q(AF)2 of 1 September, copy attached at Appendix 'F')

7. Poles Wishing to be Repatriated to Countries other than Poland

Foreign Office pro-forma has been received and distributed to 30 Corps District (Troopers 70139 SD5 of 29 August, copy attached at Appendix 'C'). Foreign Office pro-forma at Appendix 'G'. The number involved ex British Army of the Rhine is about 1,700.

8. Liaison

Chief of Staff, British Army of the Rhine, has no objection to a visit by Liaison Officers from Warsaw, provided that:-

- (a) They do not interfere with the present liaison organisation.
- (b) They do not introduce political issues.

9. Guards

It is appreciated that guards will have to be provided both for land and sea movement.

10. Poles ex Wehrmacht

There are 23,000 at present held as follows:-

- (a) 8 Corps District - 15,000
- (b) 30 Corps District - 5,000
- (c) L of C - 3,000

These Poles have not yet been screened and no action to repatriate any of them is being taken pending a decision as to their future.

Appendix 1 to
AOR/10/39793/1/008(A)
dated 2 September 1945

C O P Y

FRONT AIR OFFICE 011020A

TO : A S FRANCE
INFO: RIFOR
B M H FRANCE
B M A PARIS

586. SECRET

FIRST . ALL MEMBERS POLISH ARMED FORCES UNDER BRITISH CONTROL WILL BE OFFERED OPPORTUNITY VOLUNTEER FOR IMMEDIATE RETURN TO POLAND . YOU SHOULD NOT ARRANGE SEGREGATION ALL VOLUNTEERS AMONG MEN OF POLISH ARMY IN FRANCE AND REPORT NUMBERS EARLIEST SO THAT REPATRIATION MAY BE ARRANGED . SECOND . MEN WILL BE RETURNED AS SOLDIERS WITH PERSONAL ARMS AND EQUIPMENT IN DRAFTS WITH SUITABLE DRAFT CONDUCTING OFFICERS OR NCO'S SELECTED FROM ALICIA VOLUNTEERS . GREATEST CARE MUST BE TAKEN THAT ALL MEN HAVE FREE CHOICE AND NO MAN IS REPATRIATED AGAINST HIS WILL . THOSE REFUSING VOLUNTEER NOW WILL BE INFORMED OFFER WILL REMAIN OPEN . THIRD . ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS APPLY ONLY TO MEN WHO HAVE BEEN ENLISTED WITH POLISH ARMED FORCES UNDER BRITISH CONTROL . ALL OTHERS REGARDLESS STATUS IN 1939 - 40 POLISH ARMY WILL BE REGARDED AS DISPLACED PERSONS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISPOSAL WILL BE SENT B M H FRANCE . FOURTH . FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS WILL FOLLOW LATER ON DISPOSAL NON-VOLUNTEERS AND THOSE CLAIMING REPATRIATION TO COUNTRIES OTHER THAN POLAND

1945

APPROVED 10:30
24/09/50 (A)
dated 8 Sep 49

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FROM TROOPERS

TO EXFOR

62916 ED5 TONKOO.

FIRST. WE ARE EXAMINING FACILITIES FOR IMMEDIATE REPARATION TO POLAND
OF MEMBERS OF POLISH ARMED FORCES NOW WILLING TO RETURN IN ANTICIPATION
OF DECISION TO CARRY OUT THIS ONE ON WHICH POLICY TELEGRAM WILL FOLLOW
LATER. SECOND. REQUEST YOU ARRANGE FOR BERLIN CONFERENCE NOW DISCUSSING
MOVEMENT POLISH DISPLACED PERSONS THROUGH CHANNEL USED FOR RUSSIANS (CONCERN
ALONG W. RIVERS) TO CLEAR PRINCIPLE THAT MEMBERS ARMED FORCES MAY ALSO MOVE
BY THIS ROUTE. THIRD. ALSO REQUEST YOU CONSIDER THAT SUBJECT TO PARA
GRAPH ABOVE YOU CAN ACCEPT POLES FROM U KINGDOM AT 500 PER DAY FOR
CRUAL MOVEMENT BY THIS ROUTE. PRESENT ESTIMATE TOTALS 13000 BUT THIS
WILL PROBABLY RISE

END 241915A AMZ.

Appendix 'G' to
BACH 400/33791/1/One(A)
dated 8 Sep 45

COPY

TO : TROOPERS

NO : EXFOR PRINCE ALDEAST

FOURTH SC 5 : SECRET . FIRST . POLICY SEPARATION AND EARLIEST POSSIBLE
REPATRIATION ALL MEMBERS POLISH ARMED FORCES WILLING RETURN POLAND NOW
PROVIDED . SECOND . YOU TAKE EXECUTIVE ACTION FORTHWITH BY LINES MY 68916
23 . FIRST (TO OFFICE) AND MY 69809 28 AUGUST (TO AFHQ AND MIDDLE EAST) .
THIRD . MEN WILL BE RETURNED AS SOLDIERS WITH PERSONAL ARMS AND EQUIPMENT
IN BUSES WHEN SUITABLE DRAFT CONDUCTING OFFICERS OR HQ'S SELECTED FROM
THOSE VOLUNTEERS . NO OBJECTION RETURN AS 2 UNIT IF NUMBER VOLUNTEERS IN
UNIT MAKES THIS FEASIBLE . FORTH . GREATEST CARE MUST BE TAKEN THAT ALL
MEN HAVE FREE CHOICE AND NO MAN IS REPATRIATED AGAINST HIS WILL . THOSE
REFUSING VOLUNTARY NOW WILL BE INFORMED OTHER WILL BE MADE OPEN . FIFTH .
GIVE IN MEN CLAIM REPATRIATION TO COUNTRIES OTHER THAN POLAND ON GROUND
THEY ARE RESIDENCE OR CITIZENSHIP . WE REQUIRE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE NATIONAL
ROLLS SUCH CLAIMANTS GIVING FULL DETAILS . FOREIGN OFFICE AND FORNA FOR
APPLICATIONS FOLLOWS AIRMAIL . PENDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEIR RETURN THOSE
SHOULD REMAIN IN PRESENT UNITS . SIXTH . WHATEVER THE MISSIONS ACCREDITED
TO WARSAW GOVERNMENT WILL SHORTLY ARRIVE YOUR THEATRES AS SUBORDINATE
MISSIONS TO ONE SHORTLY DUE IN LONDON . THERE IS NO RPT NO OBJECTION TO
THESE MISSIONS SAYING FREE ACCESS TO SEPARATION CAMPS OF POLES WHO HAVE
GIVEN IN RETURN . FINDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS THEY SHOULD NOT RPT NOT HAVE
ACCESS OTHER POLISH CAMPS . SEVENTH . NO RPT NO INSTRUCTIONS YET AVAILABLE
FOR DISPOSAL THOSE NOT RPT NOT CHOOSING RETURN AT PRESENT

DOC 291710A Aug

DOF: IMMEDIATE

DATE-TOO
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FROM : BFOR

TO : FOR AGENCY : 30 CHRIS DIST :

FOR INFO : COMCOM :

01 201 A. [unclear] . FIVE , my office have not approved policy regarding
and without possible registration all soldiers Polish armed forces will be
return POLAND . SECOND , this is will arrange to clear principle at forthcoming
conference BEEB in that channel used for any Polish DP's will also be used for
armed forces , THIRD , men will be returned as soldiers with personal arms
and equipment in drafts with suitable staff consisting of officers or NCOs selected
from volunteers . If number volunteers in any unit makes it possible to object to
release as such , FOURTH , important army effort will ensure all men have free
choice and no men repatriated unwillingly . those refusing volunteer now will
be in the offer will remain open . FIFTH , certain men claim registration to
countries other than POLAND on grounds previous residence or citizenship .
original rolls of such claimants giving full details will be required . foreign
office preference for such application follows . these personnel will remain
present while pending arrangements for their return . SIXTH , expected BARRAGE
govt will wish to introduce the 10s into British zone . although intention is
NOT to change present liaison and there will be no objection to such [unclear]
govt having free access to police who have elected return . pending further
action they should NOT have access to other police . SEVENTH , BOMB reporting
your B, as : my to discuss more particularly necessity for segregation

BY CLERK of [unclear]
for [unclear]

FOR

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Michale
Col C

Copy 10: BA to BBA

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War Policy (2)

APPENDIX 'B' to
BAOR/CO/39647/1/OPS(A)
dated 6 Sep 45

Copy

Subject: Segregation and Repatriation
of Polish Troops

BAOR/17497/1/45

G(Ops)

5 Sep 45

Ref your BAOR/39647/Ops A to 30 Corps dated 31 Aug.

1. The total number of military personnel volunteering to return to Poland varies from day to day mainly in accordance with news received from persons returning from Poland. At present it is believed to be about 400.

2. Commander 30 Corps is in disfavour of segregation for the following reasons--

(a) This would imply a distrust of the Polish Staff which, so far, has cooperated admirably on this question.

(b) It might lower the present high morale among the Polish troops.

(c) It seems unnecessary to segregate such a small number who are in no way being victimised by their officers or companions.

3. I endorse these opinions.

4. If and when Warsaw representatives arrive, it would be possible to arrange for the volunteers to be interviewed by them as a body, provided no notice is given.

5. Liaison Unit is being instructed to ascertain the numbers of persons wishing to return now in conformity with para 4. of your telegram under reference.

(Sgd) A. Ross

2338
British Army of the Rhine,
A.O.R.

Colonel,
CS,
Allied Liaison.

227 201- 30 Corps District
4 Liaison HQ

FORM OF APPLICATION

for discharge from Polish Armed Forces and return to their countries of residence of volunteer members of the Polish Armed Forces who are either:

- (a) of Polish nationality and formerly resident in countries other than Poland, or
- (b) of Allied (other than Polish) nationality.

1. Name.....Date of birth.....
Place of birth.....

2(a)Rank.....(b) Official No.....(c)Present unit or ship.....

3. Nationality.....4. Country of former residence.....

5. Particulars and whereabouts of Passport.....

6(a)Particulars and whereabouts of any Foreign Identity cards.....

(b)Particulars and whereabouts of evidence of origin and length of residence in country of former residence,.....

7. Occupation in country of former residence.....

8. Address or intended destination in country of former residence.....

9. Particulars of immediate family

(a)Wife's name.....Date of birth.....
Place of birth.....

Nationality before marriage.....

Whether formerly resident in country of applicant's destination and if so between what dates).....

Present whereabouts.....

(b)Number of children if any.....Ages.....
Place(s) of birth.....

Whether formerly resident in country of applicant's destination and if so between what dates).....

Present whereabouts.....

Statement: The applicant is not suffering from contagious or infectious disease
.....(Signed by Polish M.O.)
.....(date)

Statement: I desire that facilities may be gran'ed to me to travel to where I was formerly resident.

Signed.....(applicant)
Date.....
Countersigned.....(Polish C.O.)
Date.....

69A

Attn: 2248.

Ref: 16038/3/12/
Exec 1.

Hq PW & DP Division.

Main Hq

Control Commission Germany (HE)

BAD GYNNHAUSEN.

B.A.O.R.

12 Sept. 45.

To: H. B.A.O.R. A (PW) Branch.

SUBJECT:- POLISH Medical Liaison Officers.

Reference phone call DAVIS-BULLENS of 12 Sep 45.

60A fwd.

Herewith letter BACV/3705/47/29/A (Org) of 7 Sep 45 concerning appointment of 4 Polish Medical Officers to be appointed respectively to Polish Military Mission, 1, 8 and 30 Corps.

This letter is forwarded for your information and necessary action.

JBN/19M


Brigadier.
Chief PW & DP Division.

68A



Subject: - Repatriation of Polish Armed Forces

30 Corps District

BAOR/OC/39793/1/Ops(A)

Reference message GC 301A of 31 August 1945 paragraph fifth.

1. Foreign Office proforma are forwarded herewith.
2. As each claim to repatriation to countries other than POLAND has to be cleared individually with the country concerned it, is essential that the completed forms be returned as early as possible.
3. Pending arrangements for their return, the men, as previously stated in the above quoted message, should be retained in their present units.

Tel 3097.
HQ British Army of the Rhine,
September 1945

John W. King
Major General
Chief of Staff

Copy to: - Control Commission
 HQ British Army of the Rhine:
 IM to CMA A(Coord) (2)
 GAI C(Coord) (1)
 4(SD) (2) 2(M)

MAJ Gen
Allied Liaison (2)
War Diary (2)



FORM OF APPLICATION

for discharge from Polish Armed Forces and return to their countries of residence of volunteer members of the Polish Armed Forces who are either:

- (a) of Polish nationality and formerly resident in countries other than Poland, or
- (b) of Allied (other than Polish) nationality.

1. Name.....Date of birth.....
Place of birth.....
- 2(a)Rank.....(b) Official No.....(c)Present unit or ship.....
3. Nationality.....4. Country of former residence.....
5. Particulars and whereabouts of Passport.....
- 6(a)Particulars and whereabouts of any Foreign Identity cards.....
- (b)Particulars and whereabouts of evidence of origin and length of residence in country of former residence,.....
7. Occupation in country of former residence.....
8. Address or intended destination in country of former residence.....
9. Particulars of immediate family
- (a)Wife's name.....Date of birth.....
Place of birth.....
- Nationality before marriage.....
- Whether formerly resident in country of applicant's destination) and if so between what dates).....
- Present whereabouts.....
- (b)Number of children if any.....Ages.....
Place(s) of birth.....
- Whether formerly resident in country of applicant's) destination and if so between what dates).....
- Present whereabouts.....

Statement: The applicant is not suffering from contagious or infectious disease

.....(Signed by Polish A.O.)
.....(date)

Statement: I desire that facilities may be granted to me to travel to where I was formerly resident.

Signed.....(applicant)
Date.....
Countersigned.....(Polish C.O.)
Date.....

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1 - Polish Loc file
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MESSAGE AND MAIL CENTRE

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (BRITISH ELEMENT)

Incoming RESTRICTED CIPHER Message

IMPORTANT

IY 8577

FROM COMBINED DISPLACED PERSONS
EXECUTIVE CITE ETGEC

DTG 201335R

TOR 211245A

TO CG 7 US ARMY FOR G-5 TO MAJOR
KACZIO BRODSKI SENIOR POLISH
LIAISON OFFICER.

CG 3 US ARMY FOR G-5 INFO TO
MAJOR KEMMEL SENIOR POLISH
LIAISON OFFICER

INFO RACR FOR MILITARY GOVERNMENT
(PASS TO COMCOMB)

US GROUP CONTROL COUNCIL FOR
GERMANY LONDON



S-24311.

MAJOR KLOS CHIEF OF NEW POLISH REPATRIATION MISSION TO UNITED STATES FORCES EUROPEAN THEATER FROM WARSAW ACCOMPANIED BY APPROXIMATELY TEN OFFICERS FOR MUNICH AND FIVE FOR HEIDELBERG, WILL REPORT TO YOUR HEADQUARTERS NEXT WEEK FOR THE SCREENING OF POLISH LIAISON OFFICERS. IN LINE WITH AN AGREEMENT RESULTING FROM RECENT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN US GROUP CONTROL COUNCIL BERLIN AND POLISH MILITARY AUTHORITIES MAJOR KLOS HAS EXPRESSED THE INTENTION NOT RPT NOT TO DISTURB OUR LIAISON RELATIONS PROVIDED THE OFFICERS DECLARE THEIR LOYALTY TO THE PURPOSE OF REPATRIATION OF POLES.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT ALL POLISH LIAISON OFFICERS NOW ATTACHED TO US THIRD ARMY HEADQUARTERS BE ASSEMBLED FOR THIS PURPOSE ON MONDAY, TUESDAY, AND WEDNESDAY, 24 THROUGH 26 SEPTEMBER AND THOSE AT US SEVENTH ARMY HQ ON THURSDAY, FRIDAY, AND SATURDAY 27 THROUGH 29 SEPTEMBER.

DTG 201335

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BAOR/ARMY DIV. (2)
Political Div.
M & M.C.

NOTE BY MESSAGE
& MAIL CENTRE

Passed to Dercom

32/9/61
HIS F.O.,
POLITICAL DIVISION,
OFFICE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
(British Element),
P.A.O.S.

20th September, 1945

501/5/45

To: F.O.M.S.

From: Political Division



Attached is a copy of a memorandum from 714(P) Det. Mil. Gov. at Düsseldorf to the British Vice-Consul, which reached this Division on 13th September, about applications from Poles wishing to acquire British nationality.

2. The matter was referred to the Foreign Office, a copy of whose reply is also attached.

3. I should be glad if Mil. Gov. Düsseldorf could be informed accordingly, with reference to their memorandum and if instructions based on the Foreign Office telegram could be issued to all Mil. Gov. Hqs. for their guidance in answering enquiries.

(1d) C.E. King

per Capt,
Political Division.

Copy to: P.A. DP. Division ✓

Check with P.A. DP. Division
That a reply is being sent
24/9

HEADQUARTERS MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NORTH RHINE PROVINCE

NR/LRG/301/25

Subject: Polish Nationals.

30 Aug. 45.

To: British Vice-Consul, Main Headquarters,
Control Commission for Germany,
(British Element) Lubeck, P. L. A.

(1) Applications are being received from POLES who wish to assume BRITISH nationality. This apparently results from various broadcasts in which it has been stated that BRITISH nationality has been offered to certain categories of POLES.

(2) Information is sought as to whether these offers apply only to members of the POLISH armed forces who have served in GREAT BRITAIN or under BRITISH command.

(3) May we please be informed what action should be taken in such cases.

Ext. No. 2362 Mil Gov
DUESSELDORF

(Sd.) 99 LT. COL.
2. Brig.
Comd. 714 (P) Det

69 50/2

FROM FOREIGN OFFICE TO LUBBECKE.

Date. 17/9.

TELEGRAM

Rec: 9.30 a.m.

No. 290.

Cypher.

Your tel. 164

It has not been found possible as yet to implement by legislation the hope expressed by Mr. Churchill that those members of the Polish Forces who had fought under British Command in the Allied Cause should be allowed to acquire British nationality. It was never intended that Mr. Churchill's statement should apply to Polish nationals in general and the present policy of H.M. Govt. is to encourage as many Poles as possible to return to Poland.

2. In the meantime any Polish national who wishes to apply for naturalization must first possess the necessary residence or service qualifications laid down by Section 2 of British nationality and Status of Aliens Act 1914.

A 749

MESSAGE AND MAIL CENTRE

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (BRITISH ELEMENT) 32/9

60A

Incoming CONFIDENTIAL CIPHER Message

UNPARAPHRASED

FROM: COMBINED DISPLACED PERSONS EXECUTIVE US FORCES

IY 8142
DTO 181200A
TOR 191630A

EUROPEAN THEATRE MAIN CITE ETGEC

TO: HQ BRITISH ARMY OF THE RHINE FOR MILITARY GOVERNMENT

INFORMATION TO BRITISH POLITICAL ADVISER

INFO: INFORMATION CONTROL DIVISION, BAD HOMBERG

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS FOR G-5

US FORCES AUSTRIA FOR G-5.



S 23898

Sec 63

REQUEST YOUR CONCURRENCE ON PROPOSED BROADCAST TO POLISH DISPLACED PERSONS IN GERMANY, TEXT GIVEN BELOW:

"IT IS POSSIBLE BUT NOT CERTAIN THAT SOME REPATRIATION OF POLES WILL COMMENCE SHORTLY. IF YOU ARE WILLING TO RETURN TO POLAND NOW YOU MUST AWAIT MOVEMENT ORDERS FROM COMPETENT MILITARY AUTHORITY. UNCONTROLLED MOVEMENT WILL NOT BE PERMITTED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO RETURN TO POLAND NOW YOUR DECISION WILL NOT PREJUDICE YOUR EVENTUAL REPATRIATION AT A LATER DATE."

DTO 181200A

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M & MC (S.L.?)

NOTE BY M & MC.

Passed to Bercomb.

4
In: 2248

Re: PWDP/16032/G/Exec 1.

490
HQ PW & DP Division,
Main HQ
Control Commission for Germany (CC)
DAD OFFICIALS.
B.A.O.R.

8 Sep 45.

C.A. (D.P.)
War Office,
Hotel Victoria
Northumberland Avenue,
LONDON. W.C. 2.

See's Sa
SUBJECT: Polish Student to England.
WIA KATZ M.I.

The enclosed is a copy of a certificate apparently issued by the Polish Faculty of Law, Oxford University and sent direct to a DP camp asking the Camp authorities to enable the above named student to leave for the United Kingdom. This letter has been forwarded to us by HQ 8 Corps District.

2. Could enquiries please be made in the U.K. regarding this somewhat irregular procedure and further information on the matter forwarded to this Division.

M.C.
Triglar.
Chief, PW & DP Division.

JMO/DEL.

28/3/52

58a

SUBJECT:- Polish Student to England.

8C/519/22/MG.

14 Sep 45.

Tel 259

To:- HQ PW & DP Div.
Main HQ
Control Commission for
Germany (BE)
BAD OEYNHAUSEN
B.A.O.R.

Sec 59a

MARIA KARPINSKI.

1. The a/m has been accepted by the Polish Faculty of Law at OXFORD. Copy of certificate is attached.
2. The faculty is responsible for providing financial support for Mme KARPINSKI.
3. May arrangements please be made for her to travel to UK from LP camp HAFTRUG.



[Handwritten signature]

Brig,
DLHG,

BACK.
F/J

HQ 8 Corps District.

57A

SECRET CIPHER TELEGRAM

This message will not be distributed outside British Government Departments or Headquarters or re-transmitted, even in cipher, without being paraphrased.
(Messages marked O.T.P. need not be paraphrased).

IMMEDIATE

FROM : BERCON
TO : 1. OFFERS
INFO : COMCOMB



IY 5363
DFC 1010003
FOR 1102003

30465/101003

ARBUS 47 (-

FOR COLB FROM FEDERAL ROAD 1001 (-

REF YOUR BUREAU 34 (-

THIS QUESTION WAS RAISED AT COLB RAIL COUNCIL TODAY. PRESIDENT ZAIKOV REPORTED
EVER TO AGREE THAT IT SHOULD BE SPECIFIED BY GOVERNMENT. COUNCIL THE OF THE
THAT HE HAS NO OTHER CONCERN IT (-

WE SHALL BRING YOU TO THE COUNCIL. IT IS OUR DUTY TO BRING TO YOUR
OUT AT DOUBTFUL IT IS SHOWN THAT A PROPOSAL BY THE COUNCIL TO BRING TO
THIS (-

FOR YOUR INFORMATION THE AGREEMENT TO THE COUNCIL PROPOSAL AT COLB RAIL
IT PRESIDENT ZAIKOV OF THE COUNCIL REPORTED THAT HE HAS NO OTHER CONCERN
SHY VIOLENTLY

Distribution

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10000 (516)



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CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (MILITARY ELEMENT)

Incoming RESTRICTED Message



IMPORTANT

FROM: 1 CORPS DIST

TO: CONCERNED IN THE DEPT

INFO: 52 (L I & DEPT)

IY 5035

DTG 081700 H

TCR 032835 H

RESCUE

ISA

THIS IS THE ONLY MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM THE

RECENTLY RECALLED INSTANTLY AFTER THE DEPT. THROUGHOUT THE DEPT. HAS BEEN
LARGE NUMBERS OF PAID IN VILLAGES.

DTG 081700 H

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Handwritten notes and signatures at the bottom right of the page.

16432/G 55A
UAGP V JEGA NR07/6/7/8 IMPORTANT

QVR1 T QVR2/3

FROM BERCOMB 071015C

TO EXFOR USFET MAIN

INFO CONCERN

BT

BG00570 (PRDP/109/1) , RESTRICTED .

FRG PW AND DP DIVISION . SUBJECT IS REPATRIATION OF POLLS .
FIRST . HEAD OF POLISH DELEGATION NOW IN BERLIN .

SECOND . COSC BZ) IS HOLDING VARIOUS MEETINGS ON 10
SEP TO DISCUSS PROBLEM OF REPATRIATION POLLS . THIS WILL
BE FOLLOWED BY ~~THREE~~ OTHER MEETINGS WHICH WILL DEAL WITH
QUESTIONS IN GREATER DETAIL .

THIRD . REQUEST PW AND DP DIV AT EXFOR DEMAND MOVEMENT
OFFICER TO BERLIN AS ARRANGED .

FOURTH . USFET PLEASE PASS TO EXFOR FOR INFO BRIGASIER KENY
KENCHINGTON CHIEF OF BRITISH PW AND DP DIVISION

BT

AS

LJ

OKK LIER 5 DIV AT EXFOR

B1

RD 1200 K

IMPORTANT

DISTRICT

DW + 11

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040242



Colonel (Class Exec 2)

Position regarding POLMS (last of FLETC line etc etc) now willing to accept regret-

Ref ~~Flag 4~~ 15A

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PARA FIVE (.) ACTION ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED TO ADVISE IN PRINCIPLE ARRANGEMENTS
HEREIN OUTLINED WITH THE GOVERNMENT. ONE NAMED AS A POWER OF ATTORNEY (.) POWER TO
START MOVEMENT 8 SEPT

Ref: 3014

51A
File

4 Sep 45.

Ref: REF/16032/Exec 1.

SUBJECT: Polish repatriation.

1. A recon party from the US Zone has now been to POLAND and returned. They have made the following decisions, etc., which require confirmation from WARSAW and which have been forwarded to BERLIN in the form of recommendations.

- (a) Road surfaces etc., have proved so bad that it has been decided that NO road movement is possible.
- (b) A rail move at the rate of 12,000 per day has been tentatively laid on as follows : US rolling stock and Soviet locoms will be used:
 - (i) Now - PILSEN via CZECHOSLOVAKIA *K POLAND.*
 - (ii) W.e.f. 10 Sep - HQF direct to POLAND.

2. I suggest that we decide to abandon road movement and make concrete proposals on US lines for rail movement. If you agree I will get as far as I can with J.(Mov) and will then report progress.

WJ

Colonel.
Deputy Chief.
Exec Branch.

To: Chief.

HF/BCH

Copy to: Policy Branch
Exec 1
Exec 2

10150

To EXEC
SUBJECT : Repatriation of Poles.

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49A
BAOR/3898/28/A(PWX).

31 Aug 45.

PW/IP Div,
Control Commission for Germany (Br.El.).

Ref attached copy of TPM from
8 Corps Dist. which appears to raise a
very wide question.

In view of the meeting of 22 Aug 45
may a ruling please be given and circulated
to all Corps Districts?

Dorothy M. Perkins.
3/11/45

Major General.
IC Administration.
British Army of the RHINE.

'A' Branch.
HQ. British Army of the RHINE.
B.A.O.R.

Tel Ext : 2276.



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Important

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FROM ACPWX 3 CORPS DISTRICT 291745B
TO EXFOR
BT

901
194010

DITRA/
A/N/

AE 2/5. R E S T R I C T E D. SUBJECT-REPATRIATION OF POLES.
XXXXX ANNOUNCEMENT OF REPATRIATION OF POLES HAS RESULTED IN
FIVE APPLICATIONS BY POLISH PWX TO VISIT ~~THEIR~~ THEIR FAMILIES
AT S T U T T G A R T B R U S S E L S AND P A R I S IN ORDER
TO DECIDE AND TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR FUTURE COMMS.
THERE WILL MOST CERTAINLY BE MANY MORE ~~OF THIS TYPE~~ SIMILAR
APPLICATIONS. LEAVE REQUESTED IS ~~FROM~~ IS FROM 10 DAYS TO TWO
MONTHS AND IS ~~ENDORSED~~ ENDORSED BY POLISH COMD IN AREA . 3 CORPS
DISTRICT PASS NOT SUFFICIENT TO GUARANTEE SAFE CONDUCT
THROUGH U S ZONE OR TO F R A N C E . REQUEST RULING
BT ~~XXXX 27XXX~~ 291745B
REPS AE 2/5 PWX STUTTGART BRUSSELS PARIS 10 3 US FRANCE

phoned Pwx 4 ltr. who have
copy of this signal and have
acted up it.
JH.

B 11p11

[Signature]

1915

16032/9

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Immediate

UACB V CKCO OP OP 122

FROM JO CHIEF DISTRICT 011010

TO ENFOR

BT

ACPMK0213 S E C R E T . PLEASE ATTEND THIS HQ ACPM0190 OF 3111500
AS FOLLOWS . PARA F E C O N D NUMBER P O L E S UNWILLING
TO RETURN FOR 72045 . PARA T H I R D NUMBER UNDECIDED NOW
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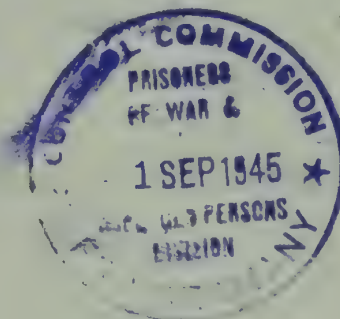
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MILITARY GOVERNMENT

ANSWER

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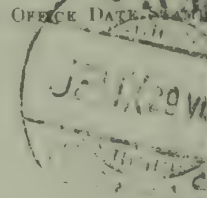
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(W) For Information (INFO)

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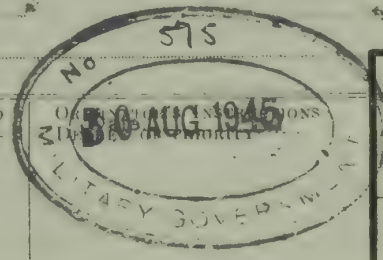
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FROM A (PWX) 3 CORPS DISTRICT
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TO EXFOR

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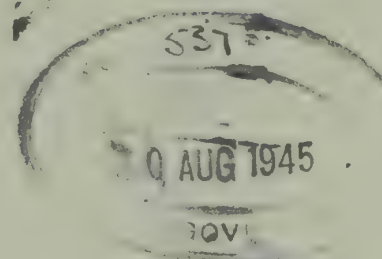
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AE 2/5 C.O. SECRET C.O. FOR A C.O. AND MIL GOV C.O. REF YOUR
HQ 1713 OF 2013100 C.O. POLES WILLING TO BE REPARIATED DP'S 30021 :
PWX 9259 : TOTAL 67230

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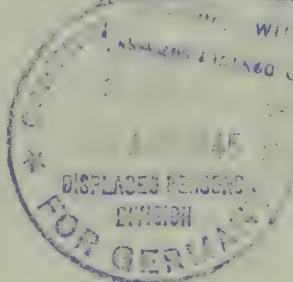
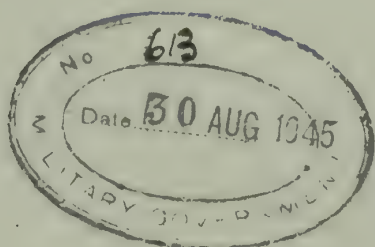
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FREE ACCESS TO SEGREGATION CAMPS OF POLIS WHO HAVE CHOSEN RETURN.
FINDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS THEY SHOULD NOT RPT NOT HAVE ACCESS
OTHER POLISE CAMPS . SIXTH . NO RPT NO INSTRUCTIONS YET AVAILABLE FOR
DISPOSAL THOSE NOT RPT NOT CHOOSING RETURN AT PRESENT

TOP: IMMEDIATE

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MESSAGE & MAIL CENTER
CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (C.E.)

Incoming RESTRICTED CIPHER Message

UNPARAPHRASED

FROM: USFET MAIN, FROM CDEK CITE ETEEC

TO: CG THIRD US ARMY, CG SEVENTH US ARMY
USFET MAIN, FRENCH MIL GOV (GERMANY)
BADEN BADEN, USFET MISSION FRANCE,
USFET MISSION BELGIUM.

43A
CONTROL COMMISSION
21 AUG 1945
I. 3666
DFO 27145B
TOR 2812053

INFO: BRITISH ARMY OF RHINE, CG USMA FOR SECOND CORPS,
AFHQ FOR ALLIED ARMY, FRENCH MIL GOV (AUSTRIA) INNSBRUCK,
US EMBASSY WARSZAWA, BR EMBASSY WARSZAWA, TROOPERS, AGWAR
FOR MARSHALL, USCCC, CONTROL COMMISSION (BRITISH ELEMENT),
BR FIFTH CORPS AUSTRIA.

S-19961.

1. RETERRITATION OF POLES NOW BEING DISCOVERED.
2. THE QUESTION SHOULD NOT BE PUT TO ALL POLES COVERED
BY SECTION 9A OF REPORT ON THE EMERGENCY COMMISSION OF BERLIN
2 AUG 1945, EG. DISPLACED PERSONS, MEMBERS OF THE POLISH ARMED
FORCES AND THE MEMBERS BEING, EX-PRISONERS OF WAR, WHETHER THEY
DESIRE TO RETURN TO POLAND NOW. IT SHOULD BE EXPLAINED THAT A
NEGATIVE ANSWER WILL NOT PREJUDICE THEIR FINAL DECISION.
3. POLES WILL NOT BE RETURNED AGAINST THEIR WILL.
4. ADVISE IMMEDIATELY NUMBERS PREPARED TO MOVE.

DFO 27145B

Distribution:

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M & MC (SL 6)

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1032/G

Refugee
Police File

424

I am not sure if I am
the one who is not sure
about the not sure of the not sure

On the not sure of the not sure
I am not sure of the not sure
I am not sure of the not sure
I am not sure of the not sure

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25/1

Page 1

Refact

Page 2. I do not consider this at
all a good idea. Please check with
the team.

Page 3. Please find out what the
is all about.

If this is in fact 1/2 an acre to
6 acres - which would be 30
times the area of the house. This
is a very large area. Please check
the area of the house and the
area of the site.

1/2

25/6

Chief

I took a call from the Chief of Staff 30 Corps at 1015 hrs.

1. He understands evacuation of Poles is likely to begin mid-September. Can this not be speeded up? Poles are ~~extremely~~ restless, etc, etc.

I told him I understood trouble was transport and Chief of Staff here thought it better to wait till the 7 GT Coys were available and the job could be done properly rather than go off at half cock.

He understood but urged that every effort should be made to speed things up

2. It had been suggested to him that (say) 4 male Poles from each Centre or Div District should go to Warsaw as a delegation to observe conditions in Poland. They should then come back and report to the DPs in the Camps.

He understood Americans had done this - he thought with success.

He himself thought it was a little dangerous in that the report might be unfavourable and we should then be worse off than ever. Possibly better to wait till the volunteers had gone and the non-starters only were left.

I said I thought the scheme might be ^{Suggested} ~~suggested~~ as a propaganda trick and it might be better to wait for those who had returned early to write to their friends left behind.

3. There is at Lübeck a small Swedish Red Cross staff and one team which during the war did work in Allied PW Camps. Since the war ended, for some reason unknown to COS, they have been marking time.

General Thomas saw head man yesterday, who is anxious to get started again.

May 30 Corps get into touch and put them to work? CofS understands UMRRA are quite agreeable.

John H. H.
24 Aug.

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DATE 21 ARMY GROUP COMFL BTHHE MESSAGE OD:23.

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D O P...NIL.

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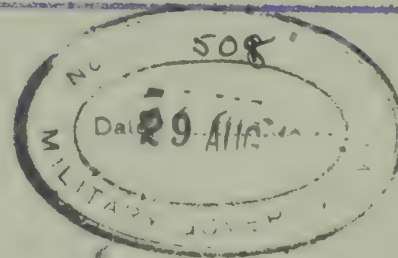
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RR:1907. COMFL. REF YOUR B87/G DED 25 AUGUST. PARA 1 RESPONSIBILITY FOR POLES IN FRANCE HANDLED OVER TO BRITISH MILITARY MISSION FRANCE.

PARA 2. REQUEST YOU FORWARD SAME TO OUR HC-1432 AND PROGRESS RESPONSE TO BRITISH MILITARY MISSION FRANCE.

D O P...NIL.

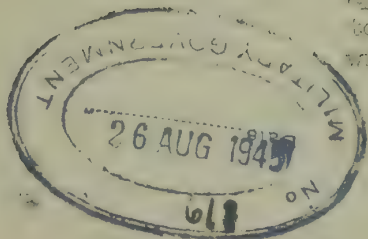


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11 Gov,
HQ, 21 Army Group

Reference your 21 A Gp/7. 3/2/46(b) of 6 Aug 46.

1. The views of three 111 Gov (R) Dets considered best qualified to judge, and, in addition the views of 111 Jords, have been obtained on the questionnaire contained in the above letter.
2. In answer to question (a) the following points have been put forward :-
 - (a) The majority of POLES, whether for or against the WARSAW Government, wish to return to an independent POLAND free from RUSSIAN occupation and any negotiations with the RUSSIANS should be made on a basis of RUSSIAN non-interference and eventual withdrawal. The greatest dissuading factor is fear of RUSSIAN influence, control and domination.
 - (b) An attempt should be made to establish contact between the WARSAW Government and Polish IP/PAL. The WARSAW Government has been recognized by the Great Powers, and unless contact is made and the present bewildering state of affairs is clarified, a minority of POLES only may be found willing to return. Should IGC be appointed by the WARSAW Govt, however, however, they should be prepared to :-
 - (i) co-operate with the RUSSIAN authorities, and
 - (ii) refrain from any attempts at compulsion or intimidation against POLES not willing to elect for registration.
 - (c) A complete replacement of present IGC by the new WARSAW Govt is unnecessary and impracticable. The majority of IGC now deployed are efficient at their jobs and, in obedience to their orders, have refrained from political activity.
 - (d) In their view expressed is that the arrival of the new WARSAW Govt would do nothing to allay the present prevailing fear of RUSSIAN domination. Unless the POLES can be given some guarantee of their security and independence and some concrete policy for the future of their country which they can freely discuss, they will remain bewildered and demoralized, no matter what proposals are put over to them.
3. In answer to question (b), the following points are mentioned :-
 - (a) It is certain that the appointment of WARSAW IGC would be opposed on political grounds by anti-RUSSIAN elements amongst the IGC and by the majority of the IGC. It is not considered that this opposition would lead to bloodshed, provided the IGC appointed are not the cause of dissension and do not attempt to force POLES to return to POLAND against their individual wishes.



- (b) Many of the men who compose the WARSAW Government are new to POLISH public life and not known to the DP/PWA and the declaration of their representatives would not be acceptable on these grounds.
- (c) WARSAW LOs would not be acceptable in camps in company with the present LOs, especially where the latter are men of personality and have been successful in maintaining order and peace in the POLISH communities.
- (d) Contact with WARSAW LOs would do little more than the present radio propaganda to reassure those POLES who are afraid for the future independence of their country. Many POLES are socialist in outlook but even so desire to see POLAND free from foreign domination and ruled by a freely elected Government.

4. Figures given vary widely and none are firm. The following estimates are quoted to show the divergence of opinion:-

Estimate (A)

- "(a) about 30% do not wish to return home under any circumstances or any Government.
- (b) about 70% are willing to return. These are again divided as follows :-
 - (i) about 40 - 50% will return when the RUSSIANS have left their country.
 - (ii) about 20 - 30% will return even with the RUSSIANS in occupation. Half these latter would prefer to remain here for the winter. This class would appear to be activated by physical considerations of housing, clothing, food, etc., and in no way for political reasons."

Estimate (B)

"For what it is worth I would estimate that 70 - 80% would at present elect for repatriation, and that WARSAW representatives would probably increase this percentage. I would not care to bet on my estimate within 20% each way.

5. No estimates received draw any marked contrast between the numbers willing to return (a) now and (b) after contact with WARSAW Govt reps. All views do, however, agree that a guarantee of future independence for POLAND or better still the withdrawal of the occupying RUSSIANS would make all the difference.

6. The following policy is suggested: the WARSAW Government is the recognised Government of POLAND and as such cannot properly be excluded from playing its part in the solution of the problem of the POLISH DP/PWK. It simply cannot be ignored, even though it may be a mere puppet Government controlled by SOVIET RUSSIA. Consultation is necessary with it and with the RUSSIAN authorities on the overall policy of repatriation and on transit and reception arrangements. WARSAW IOs should therefore be accepted at full levels, possibly down to Corps. An essential condition of the acceptance of WARSAW IOs should, however, be a guarantee to all POLISH DP/PWK that, apart from war criminals, they are free to exercise their own individual choice in the matter of their return to their country. The present regime of POLISH IOs should be allowed to remain, (except in cases where they have shown marked political bias in favour of the LONDON Govt), as they are sympathetic towards the individual problems of the POLISH and also perfectly capable of carrying out the comparatively simple work of preparing volunteers for repatriation. It is recommended that they are NOT replaced by WARSAW representatives.
7. With regard to figures, it is considered that the WARSAW point of view has already been put across adequately by radio broadcasts, and the arrival of WARSAW IOs would do little to increase the numbers electing to return.

Ext 124
All Gov (DP)
ISERHOM

GI/ENE

[Handwritten signature]
Lieut General,
Comm, 1 Corps District.

Copy to:- A (Eclipse)
1 Corps Dist UARR HQ

PROJECTED REPATRIATION OF POLISH FWX AND DPS BY MOTOR TRANSPORT

25 Aug 45.

Chief, FWX and DP Division

ASSUMPTION

1. (a) That DGM G agrees to repatriation of Poles by motor transport.
- (b) That the repatriation of Polish Armed forces and ex-Wehrmacht personnel is discussed separately - i.e. figures for these are NOT included below.

NUMBERS FOR REPATRIATION

2. Estimated numbers to be repatriated are approximately 378,000
3. These figures are based on the assumption that 30% of FWX and DP will elect to remain in GERMANY for the present.

RATE AND COMPLETION REPATRIATION

4. Given a rate of repatriation of 5000 daily wef 21 Sep (end of BARLEYHORN mov) clearance would be effected in 76 days, that is by 5 Dec.
5. Allowing for breakdown and technical and weather holdups it is NOT considered that repatriation would actually be complete until 31 Dec 45.
6. The above rate of repatriation assumes the use of seven GT companies and a turn round of 5 days.

TRANSIT CAMPS

7. 1st lift ex BRITISH Zone will be from ROSENTHAL - WOLFSBURG (on the BRITISH/RUSSIAN Zone Border and 8 miles from the BERLIN autobahn) where there are transit facilities for 14,000.
8. Any Transit Halt Camps en route should be staffed by BRITISH staffs, assisted by Polish FWX or DP labour.
9. Suggest that final British Transit Camp in POLAND is unnecessary. DP/FWX to be driven straight over into Transit Camp established by Polish Government.

DOCUMENTATION

10. Officer i/c column will hold a certificate stating that all DPs and FW have been medically inspected, are free from infection and vermin, and have expressed a wish to return to POLAND.

/ Sheet 2.....

TRAISON OFFICERS.

VARIOUS

11. Note on LOs in BERLIN has been passed you.

RUS LANE

12. Confirmation required that Russians accept minutes of meeting with VERSHININ at Headquarters 21 Army Group (21 A Gp/16053/123(a) of 16 Aug refers). A signal has been sent to Control Commission for GERMANY (BERLIN Group) reference MG 1762 of 24 Aug stating that :-

- (a) 2 LOs will be accepted for DRESDEN.
- (b) reply awaited accepting conditions under which LOs operate in British zone.
- (c) No wireless station could be established in British zone.
- (d) reply awaited as to whether 10 Search Teams would be admitted into Russian zone.

It is suggested that you should endeavour to obtain answers to points (b) and (d) above.

Ext 3014

Headquarters
British Army of the Rhine,
BACH.

HP/HL.

W. H. H. H.

Colonel,
IDCA/NEB.

WGP
SUBJECT :- Repatriation of Poles.

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8C/519/1/MG.

25 Aug 45.

Tel 258 .

To :- Mil Gov 8,
21 Army Gp.

Ref your 21 AGp/35803/2/MG 8 (b) of 6 Aug 45.

1. The opinions expressed at the Conference held 21 Army Gp on 22 Aug are confirmed below.
2. (a) The system of control of DP's and PWX by Polish LO's and Polish PWX offrs is too complicated and intricate to replace at this stage. It would take many months to build up a similar control with new personnel from the Warsaw Government.
- (b) Polish LO's from the Warsaw Government would be acceptable in all DP camps but not to the bulk of PWX. Providing the change over of control were complete there would not be bloodshed but if some of the existing LO's etc. remained to work alongside the Warsaw reps there would be much friction and trouble.
- (c) (i) 75% would return now.
- (ii) This might rise to 85% after advent of Warsaw reps.

B.L.A.
G/T

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28 AUG 1945
H. J. Green - 156
Col,
DDMG,
HQ 8 Corps District.

SUBJECT. Repatriation of POLES

HQ 30 Corps District.

MIL Gov
HQ 21 Army Group.*219*/MG.
21 Aug 45.

Ref your 21 A Gp/35803/2/MG 8 (b) dated 6 Aug.

2. Replies received from the camps to the questions in para 2 of the above letter are as follows :-

DPs

- (a) The majority view is that the policy should be changed (2 . 1)
- (b) It is considered that the present POLISH LOs are honestly working in the best interests of the DPs and that the introduction of WARSAW LOs would be inadvisable (2 . 1)
- (c) (i) 85% of lower class DPs, 25% of school teachers and more intelligent types, overall percentage of 50%-70%.
(ii) It is agreed that percentage in (c) (1) would be increased (2 . 1)

PNX

- (a) and (b) It is considered that the policy should be changed and that WARSAW LOs would be welcomed provided that they did NOT come to disseminate propaganda but to give infm and advice.
- (c) (i) 50% is an average figure from replies.
(ii) It is NOT considered that the above figures would be greatly increased after arrival of the WARSAW LOs.

3. It is considered by this HQ that early repatriation of POLES is essential but that no WARSAW LOs should be deployed in this area as long as the flow of POLES equals POLISH acceptance. When no further POLES volunteer for repatriation, propaganda by WARSAW LOs must be permitted.

4. The Americans report success of sending 4 ^{manicd} ~~unarmed~~ DPs from their zone to WARSAW to report on conditions there for the infm of DPs remaining in the US zone. It is not proposed to ask for similar action in this area until all volunteers have been repatriated.

5. Unless the propaganda of the WARSAW LOs is less ~~strong~~ than the radio talks are said to be, little increase in the numbers of volunteers can be expected to follow their arrival.

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[Signature]
Lt-Gen.
Commanding 30 Corps.

Tel: 2050
Ref: PWDP/58043

To: ~~Coord Section~~
~~Policy Section~~
Exec. Section ✓

From: Chief, PW & DP Division

D.M.G., at his conference on 24 Aug 45 ruled that the plan for evacuating Polish DPs should be amended as follows:-

Regarding priorities - 1 Corps, three fifths,
(Ruhr to have priority).

30 Corps and 8 Corps, one fifth
each.

D.M.G. would like the camps north of Minden, round Lahde to be included early in the priority of the Corps concerned.

A. Mendenhall

Chief,
PW & DP Division,
Control Commission for
Germany (BE)

24 Aug 45
AGK/JMC

CONFIDENTIAL

MINUTES OF MEETING on POLISH REPATRIATION
held at D CEMINSEN on 22nd August 1949

Present:

Brig. A. G. KENCHINGTON, (Chairman)	PW and DP Division CCG(BE)
Col. H. FULTON,	" " " "
Col. A. ROSS,	L. A. C. 21 A Gp
Col. O. C. SMITH-BINGHAM,	C. L. O. 21 A Gp
Mr. C. E. KING,	Political Division CCG(BE)
Lt. Col. H. GRIFFITH-JONES, A.M.G. (DP)	HQ 1 Corps District
Lt. Col. H. F. GORMAN,	" " HQ 8 Corps District
Lt. Col. D. J. DONALD,	" " HQ 30 Corps District
Lt. Col. H. R. LESLIE,	A(FWK) 21 A Gp
Lt. Col. T. WILKINSON.	A(Wehr) 21 A Gp
Lt. Col. K. THOMAS,	Mil Gov 2, 21 A Gp
Major C. W. FULLBROOK,	G(Cps)A, 21 A Gp
Jun. Comd. D. M. MULLENS,	A(Wehr), 21 A Gp
Lt. Col. J. A. ROBERTSON-WALKER (Secretary)	11 & DP Div. CCG(BE)

1. The Chairman stated that H.M.G. had now agreed that we should open negotiations for the repatriation of those Poles who were willing to be repatriated under conditions as they are now known. Preliminary discussions had already taken place in BERLIN and as regards movement facilities the Russian authorities had suggested that the Poles might be dispatched by sea. On it being pointed out that this would considerably slow down movement they accepted in principle the repatriation of Poles through the Soviet Zone of Germany. However, G(Movements) 21 Army Group are discussing with the Naval authorities the possibility of using shipping. Chairman also stated that he was attending a meeting to discuss the machinery for repatriation of Poles, in BERLIN on the 27 Aug.

Since it is considered that movement by rail may have certain disadvantages examination was being made of movement by R.F. on the basis that 7 G.T. Coys. would be available by the third week in September. On the basis of a five day turn round this would enable us to move approximately 5,000 per day. This plan envisages setting up transit facilities for up to 20,000 in the SCHUMPFEN area with Polish acceptance taking place on the line of the River ODER. Figures for numbers of Poles willing to be repatriated will, therefore, be required at the earliest possible date.

2. It was agreed that Chief, PW and DP Division, CCG(BE), should ask the WARSAW Provisional Govt representative in due course whether they would accept the repatriation of ex-Wehrmacht Poles and men of the Polish Armoured Division. It was considered that the ex-Wehrmacht Poles would mainly wish to return to Poland but few of those in the Polish Armoured Division would wish to be repatriated. Chief, PW and DP Division, therefore, undertook in addition to raise the question of an amnesty for such Poles.

3. Col. ROSS tabled a draft notice to all Polish PW/DP concerning repatriation and this was discussed in detail. Revised draft is attached at Appendix 'A' to these minutes. It was agreed that Col. ROSS would take action to see that 2,000 copies of this notice were printed as quickly as possible in Polish. It was agreed that these were to be distributed as follows:-

500 to each HQ Corps District
500 to be kept as a reserve.

/In addition.....

In addition Col. ROSS undertook to have a map printed shewing the new boundary line between the USSR and Poland as decided at the recent agreement between the two countries and in accordance with the latest information available. This map to be distributed in the same way as the notice.

4. The Chairman stated that the order for priority of repatriation of Poles from the British Zone was (a) RUHR (b) 1 Corps District ^{3/5} (c) 30 Corps District, (d) 8 Corps District, but it was agreed that to ensure that maximum movement was maintained it might be necessary to modify these priorities to some small extent.

5. The meeting then considered questions raised at para 2a of the Agenda and the following answers were agreed:

<u>Questions asked</u>	<u>Answers</u>
(i) Have the Curzon Line and the 1939 Russo-German Line of Demarcation any real significance now that it is understood that the Soviet Union and the Provisional Govt in WARSAW have concluded a treaty setting-up a new boundary ?	NO
(ii) Are the details of this boundary known in fact and/or officially ?	Not known officially, but known approximately from unofficial Reports.
(iii) SHAEF policy stated that persons whose homes were in territory not included within the political boundaries of the Soviet Union as at 1 Sep 39 will not be repatriated to the Soviet Union unless they affirmatively claim Soviet citizenship. Is any part of pre-war Poland now considered to be part of the Soviet Union for this purpose ?	NO
(iv) Would it be sufficient to ask the Poles if they are willing to be repatriated bearing in mind that their former places of residence may be in a Soviet controlled area and at the same time tell them the new boundary line ?	YES

6. It was agreed that no Polish Liaison Officers were required from the Provisional Govt in WARSAW for the present as it was considered that their presence would cause considerable complication and would result in delaying the implementation of the repatriation scheme. However, it was agreed that if Chief, PW and DP Division CCG(BE) was pressed by the representatives of the Provisional Govt in WARSAW to accept representatives, he should state that we were prepared to accept from 1 - 3 Senior Officers to be conducted as a party round the Zone so that they could observe how the repatriation programme was being carried out. If pressed, further we should agree to accepting conducting officers to be attached to the Gen. Tpt. Coys. who were to carry the Poles, up to a maximum of 1 Senior Officer and 10 assistants. In addition we could see a need for discussing at a later stage the provision of a small Mission.

7. It was agreed that the revised notice at Appendix 'A' covered the methods by which it should be made clear to the Polish PWX/DPs the conditions under which they could be repatriated and that this notice also covered the necessary procedure for them to decide whether they were prepared to go now or not.

8. Col. ROSS then raised the question as to whether in view of the issue of this notice it would not be better to cancel his draft declaration and prepare instead a series of press notices. It was agreed that this course would be best and Col. ROSS undertook to prepare the necessary drafts for submission to PW and DP Division. It was also agreed that Polish Liaison Officers now in the British Zone should be informed of the present situation regarding Polish repatriation.

9. It was agreed that Polish PWX/DPs who were not prepared to volunteer for repatriation now should be organised into centralised camps with suitable winter accommodation and that HQ Corps Districts would take the necessary action on this matter.

10. The draft directive to HQ Corps Districts on the repatriation of Soviet citizens was then discussed. A second draft of this directive incorporating the amendments recommended by the meeting is attached at Appendix 'B'. Mil Gov 2 (Legal) 21 A Gp undertook to examine this amended draft further and inform PW and DP Division of any alterations they considered necessary as quickly as possible.

Subject to final clearance of the draft with Political Division CCG(BE), G(Ops) 21 A Gp, and A Branch, 21 A Gp, PW and DP Division CCG(BE) will then submit the directive through D.C.O.S.(Exec) to C.O.S. 21 A Gp for issue to HQ Corps Districts.

11. Appropriate action will be taken on these minutes by A.D.M.Gs. Corps Districts and the Branches of 21 Army Group/Control Commission concerned.

Ref: FWDP/58043

23 August 45.

PW & DP Division, Main HQ,
Control Commission for Germany (B.E.)
BAD OEYNHAUSEN, B. L. A.

JARW/HMD

John G. Kennington
J. G. KENNINGTON, Brig.,
Chief, PW and DP Division,
Control Commission for Germany (B.E.)

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A(PWX), 21 Army Group
A(Schr) 21 Army Group
Political Division, CCG(BE)
Legal Division, CCG(BE).

NOTICE TO ALL POLISH PWX and DPs in the BRITISH ZONE OF GERMANY

1. Repatriation to Poland may begin in the near future. It is hoped that all Poles who volunteer to return will be repatriated as soon as possible. It cannot, however, be stated when this repatriation will actually begin for difficulties of transport and other circumstances may cause delay. In any case it will not be possible to repatriate all volunteers at once.

2. An agreement has been made between the Soviet Government and the Polish Provisional Government. As far as is known this agreement has established the boundary between the two countries approximately as follows:-

From the Lithuanian frontier it follows the old frontier line to the River NIEMEN, North of GRODNO, leaving SUWALKI and AUGUSTOW in Polish territory. It leaves GRODNO in Soviet territory and runs almost due South through the PUSZCZA BIELOWIESKA, leaving BIALYSTOK in Polish territory. It joins the River BUG at BRZESC-nad-BUGIEM and follows the river to USTILOG. BRZESC and WLODIMERZ remain in Soviet territory. BIALA PODLASKA, WLODAWA, CHELM, and HRUBIESZOW are in Polish territory. From HRUBIESZOW it follows the River BUG via SOKAL to KEYSTYNOPOL, both in Soviet territory, and then turns West to TOMASZOW in Polish territory. RAWA RUSSKA remains in Soviet territory. From South of TOMASZOW it runs in a southerly direction crossing the railway East of PRZEMYSL which remains in Polish territory and continues to the Czechoslovak frontier west of TURKS, leaving SAMBOR, DROHOBYCZ and BORYSLAW in Soviet territory.

3. Before you are moved you will be asked to answer the following question in the presence of a British Officer:-

"Are you willing to return to Poland now under conditions as you know them?"

4. If your answer to the question above is "NO", you will be given another opportunity of making your choice. This will of course mean that your return to Poland may be delayed.

BY ORDER OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT.

DRAFT

APPENDIX 'B' to FWDP/58043 dated 13 Aug 45

To:- HQ 1 Corps
HQ 8 Corps
HQ 30 Corps

C O N F I D E N T I A L

SUBJECT:- REPATRIATION OF SOVIET CITIZENS

1. Now that the main repatriation programme of Soviet citizens is complete your task will be to ensure that remaining PWX/DPs whom the Soviet Authorities claim should be repatriated are dealt with in accordance with H.M.G. policy.
2. You will, therefore, set up forthwith boards to consist of three British Officers with an interpreter and clerk to deal with cases where the Soviet Authorities claim a PWX/DP to be a Soviet citizen and the PWX/DP claims to be a citizen of another country or stateless.
3. These boards will be found from within your existing manpower resources. Their duty will be to take evidence of fact and where these facts appear sufficiently clear under the rules issued, to declare the nationality of the PWX/DP concerned in accordance with H.M.G. rulings as set out in para. 6 below.

Only in cases where the board does not feel that, owing to the difficulty of the case, it can reach a decision, will the case together with a full report of the board's hearing be forwarded to this HQ for further examination by Legal Division.
4. In all cases where it is decided that a particular PWX/DP is satisfactorily identifiable as a Soviet citizen, he will be repatriated even though he is unwilling to go.
5. It is fully appreciated that compulsory movement of Soviet citizens who do not wish to be repatriated may be repugnant to the British Army officers and other ranks who have to enforce this order. It is, however, a duty to carry out a national pledged agreement.

In order to ensure that no breaches of discipline occur all ranks under your command will be informed that by the Agreement made at YALTA the repatriation of all Soviet citizens irrespective of their wishes would be carried out and that the USSR would expect this to be carried out, since the USSR are complying with their side of the Agreement by repatriating west-bound Allied FWs and DPs.

6. The following are the main rulings for determining the nationality of liberated and displaced persons coming before the board:-

- (a) H.M.G. have not recognised any transfers of territory to the USSR since 2 Sep 1939 and therefore do not regard as Soviet citizens persons who were at that time citizens of countries since occupied by the Soviet Union. (See map attached).
- (b) If such persons as in (a) above wish to be repatriated this will be done, but H.M.G. continues to regard them as non-Soviet citizens.
- (c) Those persons whose homes were in Soviet territory as it existed on 2 Sep 1939, (including of course those UKRAINIANS who come within this category) must be regarded as Soviet citizens if they are claimed as such by the Soviet authorities.
- (d) Cases involving the nationality of a Russian woman who is married to a non-Soviet citizen and claims other nationality will be referred with any available documents to PW and DP Division, CONTROL COMMISSION for GERMANY (British Element).
- (e) Persons not displaced by reason of the war, stateless persons, or persons who have never had or have been deprived of Soviet citizenship will not be repatriated to the Soviet Union against their wishes.
- (f) Any person uncovered prior to 11 Feb 45 will not be repatriated to the Soviet Union against their wish.

Copies to: M.A. to C.of S., 21 A Gp
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I.A.C. 21 A Gp
Secretariat, CCG(BE)
Political Div CCG(BE)
PW and DP Div CCG(BE)

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Sec. Gen. CCG(BE)

SECRET

21 Aug 1945/35003/2/100(b)

Notes on Meeting held in D Mil Gov's Office on 21 Aug
regarding methods of repatriation; Poles.

Present

Adj. Gen. TEMPER	D Mil Gov (in the chair)
Adj. Gen. WHITE	Dy. G.
Brig. COLLINS	Brig. G(1).
Brig. ABRAHAMSON	Chief PW : DP Division.
Col J. E.	Col G(Ops) A.
Col. FURCH	Dep. Chief PW : DP Division.
Mr. J. E. J. JONES	Mr. G(Admin) 1.

1. D Mil Gov explained that it was possible the Russians would agree to repatriation of Poles through the Russian zone. It was essential to examine the possibility of movement by sea. It had been suggested by the Russians that movement should be carried out in British motor launches. This would not involve more than 400,000 Poles.
2. Brig. ABRAHAMSON stated that the US zone was opposed to movement by sea and were considering movement on foot.

MOVEMENT BY SEA.

3. Brig. COLLINS agreed to investigate with Naval Division possibilities of movement by sea examining or loading.

MOVEMENT BY RAIL.

4. It was agreed that movement by rail is left to the Russians who would probably be irregular and might lead to concentration camps. In transit camps on the Russian side of the frontier was suggested; Poles might therefore filter back to the British zone. It was also possible that Poles might arrive in Poland in bad condition after a Russian or Russian journey and thus produce a bad impression of British as well as Russian methods.

MOVEMENT BY ROAD.

5. D Mil Gov agreed to examine the provision of motor transport, and arrange facilities on the route to Poland. It was stated that some seven CE companies might be available by 31 Jan ex operation in Poland and that further companies would be available later.

...../It was agreed

Action or
to note

G(100)

G(Admin)

Action or to note.

It was agreed that SWEETEN was a suitable point of departure from the British Zone and that Poles could be concentrated there by rail. From SWEETEN to the nearest point within the present boundaries of POLAND is about 5 days turn round; seven HT companies might therefore lift some 5000 Poles per day.

6. D Mil Gov stated that target rate of repatriation was 10,000 Poles per day. British lorries travelling in well organised convoys through the Russian Zone to POLAND would have a satisfactory psychological effect on Russians and Poles. It was understood that Mil Gov rations for the journey could be provided.

Col. JESS agreed to obtain J of S views on the advisability of using HT in preference to Russian controlled rail movement.

LABOUR.

7. D Mil Gov raised the question of Poles in Labour units controlled by D Lab some of which are employed on cutting pit props. It was suggested that if these were essential workers action should be taken to persuade them to continue in employment in the British Zone.

Econ Div

G(Ops) A

Labour

EW & DP Div
(Exec Sec)

Econ Div

Chief
EW & DP Division

14 Aug 45.

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31A

SUBJECT:- Repatriation of Polish DPs and PWX

21 A Gp/35803/2/MOS(b)

2/ Aug 45

Combined Displaced Persons Executive

Reference 21 A Gp/35803/2/MOS(b) dated 7 Aug 45.

1. A recent check of Russian displaced persons living outside of DP centres has shown the original estimate of 100,000 to be excessive and it is estimated that the evacuation of Russian displaced persons will now be completed by 23 Aug 45.
2. The following amendments will therefore be made to the appreciation attached to Appendix "A" of the above quoted letter.
3. Para. 8
Delete 1 Sep 45
Insert 23 Aug 45
4. Para. 10 sub para (a)
Delete 1 Sep 45
Insert 15 Aug 45
5. Para 14 sub para (a)
Delete 10 Sept 45
Insert 2 Sept 45
6. Para 14 sub para (b)
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Delete 27 Oct 45
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21 Army Group
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Policy Section

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Major General
DCA/Mil Gov

FROM : EAFOR

DATE-FOO
11 1650B

TO : FOR ACTION : TROOPERS

COS 146 SECRET . personal for DSD from Chief of Staff . if all goes well
russian DP movement should be completed by mid sep . by mid oct weather
and other conditions in eastern EUROPE may be such as to stop any more
large scale repatriation . machinery within brit zone can be used for
polish repatriation the moment russian movement is over but it is almost
certain that reception and movement facilities in russian and polish zones
will be completely inadequate nor have any plans been made to deal with
polish repatriation so far as we know . essential therefore if full use is
to be made of remaining month or six weeks good weather after 15 sep that
steps be taken now to ginger up the poles and where necessary the russians
so that the necessary flow of polish repatriation can in fact take place .
from acon and food point of view apart from any other reasons we are
extremely anxious to get rid of as many of these people as possible before
the winter sets in

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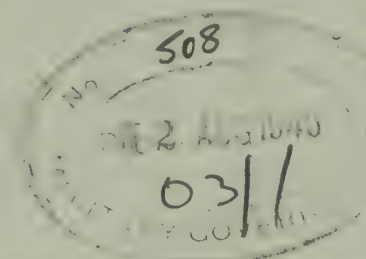
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Political Division CONCOMB (Personal for Mr C.E. Steel) By ELS



RESOLUTION.

SUBJECT: Registration of Polish MPs and PWs.

Ref A. G. / 3-355/2/108(b).

7 Aug 45.

Combined Displaced Persons Exclusion.

The application set out in Appendix "A" relating with a view to be used for registration of Polish MPs and PWs has been prepared at this Headquarters.

Your comments are requested.

Tel. Unit. 304.
Headquarters,
21 Army Group,
BLA.

AM/AML.

(1) 1945
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21 Army Group.

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Appendix "A" to 21 A GP/35803/2/MG3(b).

Date: 10/10/44.

Appreciation of the Polish to be used in the
restoration of Polish PAX and DPS.

GENERAL.

1. The following appreciation is made of the Polish Government in WARSAW will be prepared to maintain PAX at the maximum rate at which they can be reasonably transferred. It is in line with movement aspects of the question.

STATISTICS.

2. (a) The following number of Polish are located in camps
List:-

1. Camp	15,000
2. Camp	10,000
3. Camp	10,000
	<u>35,000</u>

- (b) At the present time the Polish Government are paying 70% of the cost of the Polish Government. (The cost of the Polish Government is 60% of the cost of the Polish Government for the Polish Government).

- (c) The following number of Polish are located in camps
List:-

1. Camp	1,000
2. Camp	1,000
3. Camp	1,000
	<u>3,000</u>

POSSIBLE MOVEMENT FACILITIES.

3. TRAVEL.

- (a) LITVAK (reports to be made)
(b) TRAVEMUNDE (reports to be made)
(c) REUSSTADT (reports to be made)

4. TRAVEL.

- (a) Using existing railway facilities for the Polish.
(b) Using existing railway facilities for the Polish.
(c) via GENEVA SWITZERLAND.

APPENDIX "A"

1.

REPORT OF CIA.

5. Summary.

- (a) Polling of knowledge of the situation to be provided as indicated by the situation in the field.
- (b) To state the Russian Government's attitude towards the situation, it is therefore most unlikely that the situation will be improved for the future.
- (c) So far as the Russian Government is concerned, it is not in possession of any information.

6. Port of Arrival.

(a) Summary.

- (i) The Russian Government is not in possession of any information.
- (ii) The Russian Government is not in possession of any information.
- (iii) The Russian Government is not in possession of any information.

(b) Summary.

- (i) The Russian Government is not in possession of any information.
- (ii) The Russian Government is not in possession of any information.

(c) Summary.

- (i) The Russian Government is not in possession of any information.
- (ii) The Russian Government is not in possession of any information.
- (iii) The Russian Government is not in possession of any information.

(d) Summary.

Details of the situation, as far as the Russian Government is concerned, are not in possession of any information.

7. Conclusions.

However, it is not possible to state that the Russian Government is not in possession of any information.

/ s/ [Signature]

By [Signature]

MOVEMENT BY RAIL.

8. It is estimated that the Russian evacuation will be complete by 1 Sep 45. Until this evacuation is complete no movement facilities will be available to move Polish DPs in any other direction.

9. Brit/Russian Transfer Points.

- (a) The following are the present existing Transfer Points showing the average daily transfers :-

BRITISH	2,000
AMERICAN	2,000
RUSSIAN	3,000
SUBTOTAL	7,000
TOTAL	7,000

- (b) It is considered that as no movement of Poles is possible before the Russian evacuation is complete, the same machinery set up for evacuating Russians, should be used for evacuating Poles. Russian agreement should be sought now.

10. US/Russian Transfer Points.

- (a) It is estimated Russian evacuation from US Zone will be complete by 1 Sep 45.
- (b) There are 30,000 waiting repatriation in US Zone.
- (c) In view of (a) and (b) above it is considered unlikely that repatriation could be used before Nov 45 and even then it would be a roller stock with no facilities for movement of DPs.

11. Via CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

- (a) Suitable transfer facilities for repatriation would have to be arranged by CZECHOSLOVAKIA and transit facilities in Germany.
- (b) Maximum repatriation would be 10,000, unless Russian priorities change, which is unlikely and then only at the expense of other repatriation movement.
- (c) Unless it is possible to get repatriation it will be more convenient to get repatriation back to POLAND via CZECHOSLOVAKIA, leaving Poles in British Zone so the first of the repatriation movement towards the British Zone will be repatriation.

12. Conclusions.

Repatriation via CZECHOSLOVAKIA and Poland should be used if it is possible to get repatriation only in the last resort.

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RECOMMENDATIONS.

13. It is recommended:-

- (a) The above 1000 lbs. of material at present on hand should be (including 'Belts' - 100 lbs. + 100 lbs.) to be used.
- (b) After the Russian and its crew are released, the British Government should set out the same for transit to the British Isles and the British Isles should be used for the British Government.

FCSS, L.L. PRESENT.

14. Estimated time to complete the work of the FCSS, L.L. PRESENT.

It is assumed:-

- (1) 1000 lbs. of material will be used in 10 days of work at a rate of 100 lbs. per day.

- (2) The work of the FCSS, L.L. PRESENT will be completed in 10 days.

Total amount of material to be used	1000
Amount of material to be used in 10 days	1000
Total amount of material to be used	1000
Plus 100 lbs. of material to be used	100
	1100 lbs

Est. date of completion of work 10 Oct 45

Est. date of completion of work 10 Oct 45

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Poles

21 A Gp/35803/2/108(b)

7 Aug 45.

G (Ops)
L.A.C.

Reference 21 A Gp/35803/2/108(b)
of 6 Aug 45.

Copy of the above letter agreed
between BEG (Ops) and Chief PW & DP Division,
Control Commission for Germany (British
Element) is passed to you for information.

W. H. Smith
CS

L Brigadier.
DD Mil Gov

Extn: 3014

Headquarters
21 Army Group
B L A

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SECRET:- Repatriation of Polish

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CONFIDENTIAL

6. 10. 44

To : 1 Corps District HQ Gov
8 Corps District HQ Gov
30 Corps District HQ Gov

1. At present the policy is not to agree to the release in the British zone of Polish Prisoners of War by the Provisional Government in Warsaw, nor to the opening of negotiations with the Germans for the repatriation of Polish P.O.s.

2. Please report confidentially by 14 Nov 44 the views of HQ Gov (H) Det or Group Commanders of 3 representative camps in your area to the following questions:-

- (a) Should this policy be changed?
- (b) Would Polish Prisoners of War released by the German Govt be more likely or would their repatriation be likely to lead to unrest and bloodshed?
- (c) Can you give an approximate estimate of the number of Polish P.O.s who would be willing to return to Poland under the present arrangements?
- (i) Yes
- (ii) After contact with Polish Govt reps.

3. The Army would like, if possible, to know where the Polish Prisoner of War Command is the least politically biased and where the military member's point can be best put forward.

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5. 10. 44
HQ, 30 Corps

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Woodquarters
21 Army Group
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Copy to: Control Commission for Germany - Military Division

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11 Nov 44

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Ref/39647/Ops(A)

FROM: EXFOR: DATE TOO
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TO: FOR ACTION: TROOPERS:

FOR INFO: CONCOMB POLITICAL DIV:

GO 269A SECRET. revised estimates of rate of clearance of russian
DPs from this zone suggest completion by mid-sep. from our point
of view highly desirable that completion of the russian evacuation
should be immediately followed by start of polish repatriation so
that transportation and transit facilities can remain in being.
therefore considered essential that detailed polish repatriation
plan should now be made. this will require negotiations with
russians and WARSAW government authorities and since time is short
suggest
/earliest meeting of committee of polish affairs in LONDON. request
reps this H; be invited.

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P.O.F. NIL

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TO: CG UNITED US ARMY, OR SWEDEN US ARMY, TROOP REAR,

FRANCE ALL GOV (GERMANY), BADEN BADEN (DEFA PLS PASS),

UNSET MISSION FRANCE (1945 1946), UNSET MISSION BELGIUM (1945 1946)

TO: BRITISH ARMY OF RHINE, OF UNDA FOR SECOND CORPS, AFHQ

FOR ALABAMA, FRANCE ALL GOV (AUSTRIA) INNEBRUCK, (1945 1946)

IN INNEBRUCK, IN INNEBRUCK, INNEBRUCK, AGWAR

FOR INNEBRUCK, INNEBRUCK, CONTROL COMMISSION, BRITISH FIFTH

CORPS AUSTRIA

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REPORT (.) RESTD (.) ONE (.) ESTABLISHED OF POLICE NOW BEING NEGOTIATED (.)

TWO (.) THE QUESTION SHOULD NOW BE PUT TO ALL POLICE COVERED
BY SECTION EINE A OF REPORT ON THE ECONOMIC CONFERENCE OF BERLIN, SECOND AUGUST
1945, E.G. DISPLACED PERSONS, MEMBERS OF THE POLISH ARMED FORCES AND THE MERCHANT
NAVY, EX-PRISONERS OF WAR, WHOM THEY DESIRE TO RETURN TO POLAND NOW (.) IT
SHOULD BE EXPLAINED THAT A NEGATIVE ANSWER WILL NOT PREJUDICE THEIR FINAL DECISION (.)

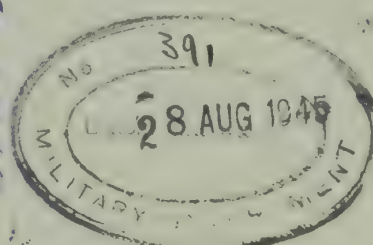
THREE (.) POLICE WILL NOT BE RETURNED AGAINST THEIR WILL (.)

FOUR (.) ADVISE IMMEDIATELY NUMBERS PREPARED TO MOVE

P.O.F. NIL

JR.

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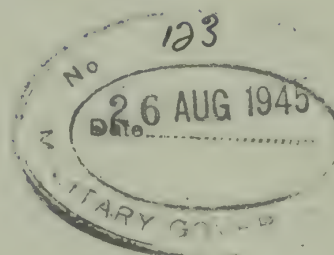
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B 07/G CONFIDENTIAL . REF YOUR MESSAGE HG 1432 DATED 031145

POLISH LEGATION IN BRUSSELS NOW CONDUCTING CONVERSATIONS WITH
BELGIAN GOVERNMENT ON WHOLE QUESTION OF RETURN TO THEIR HOMES
OF POLISH SOLDIERS DOMICILED IN BELGIUM BEFORE THE WAR

WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED OF PROGRESS FOR THE PARTICULAR CASE UNDER
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TO FOR ACTION: WAR OFFICE

TOR 2312455

23 AUG 1945

COS 152.

PERSONAL FOR ACIGS (O) FROM C OF S.

PLEASE SEE ARGUS 34 FOR PUS FROM C OF S BZ. IT IS SOME TIME SINCE THE URGENCY OF THIS MATTER WAS FIRST RAISED WITH DSD AND CONFERENCES HAVE TAKEN PLACE WITH FO ON SUBJECT. SERIOUSLY URGE THAT EVERY POSSIBLE STEP BE TAKEN TO ENERGISE THIS MATTER AS WE ARE NOW RAPIDLY LOSING WHAT LITTLE TIME IS LEFT BEFORE WINTER IN EASTERN EUROPE WILL STOP MOVEMENT. THE IMPORTANT POINT IS THAT OUR STRENGTH AND REDUCTION ARE HEAVILY DEPENDENT ON THE DP PROBLEM. IF WE HAD NO DPs OUR FORCES COULD BE MATERIALLY REDUCED. IT IS THEREFORE HIGHLY IMPORTANT TO GET MAXIMUM POLISH DP MOVEMENT COMPLETED SOONEST POSSIBLE IF WE ARE TO HELP YOU IN YOUR PROBLEM OF REDUCTION FORCES. WE WILL MAKE NO PRACTICAL PROGRESS UNTIL SOME HIGH LEVEL CLUEFUL POLE FROM WARSAW COMES TO BERLIN AND FIXES UP DEFINITE ARRANGEMENTS. MEANWHILE WE ARE IN CONTACT WITH POLISH DPs TO FIND OUT NUMBERS PREPARED TO GO BACK TO POLAND NOW. PRECISE MECHANISMS FOR POLISH REPATRIATION CANNOT BE WORKED OUT UNTIL AGREEMENT ON METHOD HAS BEEN ARRIVED AT BETWEEN RUSSIANS POLES AND OURSELVES UNLESS ACCEPTED PLAN IS TO HAND OVER ALL EXISTING TRANSFER POINTS USED UP TO NOW FOR RUSSIAN EXCHANGES. IN THIS LATTER CASE EXISTING MECHANISMS CAN BE USED

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FROM: BENCOMB
TO: TROOPERS
INFO: CONCOMB

ARGUS 35.

BCCC. 240.

TO PUS FROM ROBERTSON. THIS IS AN ARGUS WHICH FOLLOWS FROM MAIL HQ.
FURTHER TO MY TELEPHONE CONVERSATION YESTERDAY WITH SETWELL. GENERAL
EISENHOWER HAS GIVEN INSTRUCTIONS TO HIS COMMANDERS TO SUPPRESS
HANDOUTS BY D P 2 WITHIN A LIMITED DEGREE OF FORCE THEY CONSIDER TO BE
NECESSARY FOR THIS PURPOSE.

FURTHER TO ARGUS 28 PARAGRAPH 6.

P M MONTGOMERY NOTIFIED COMBAT COUNCIL AT AUSTIN TODAY OF ACTION
BEING TAKEN BY HIM.

MARSHALL ZIMMOV SAID THAT AMERICANS ADVISED BY ZONE COMMANDERS FOR
KEEPING ORDER WITHIN ZONE. SOME WERE ADVISED FOR THEIR INDIVIDUAL
DISCRETION AND CONDUCT ADVISED.

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NOTICE TO ALL POLISH PWX and DPs IN THE BRITISH ZONE OF GERMANY

1. Repatriation to Poland may begin in the near future. It is hoped that all Poles who volunteer to return will be repatriated as soon as possible. It cannot, however, be stated when this repatriation will actually begin for difficulties of transport and other circumstances may cause delay. In any case it will not be possible to repatriate all volunteers at once.

2. An agreement has been made between the Soviet Government and the Polish Provisional Government. As far as is known this agreement has established the boundary between the two countries approximately as follows:-

From the Lithuanian frontier it follows the old frontier line to the River NIEMEN, North of GRODNO, leaving SUWALAI and AUGUSTO in Polish territory. It leaves GRODNO in Soviet territory and runs almost due South through the PUSZCZA BIALOLESIA, leaving BIALYSTOK in Polish territory. It joins the river BUG at BRZESC-nad-BUGIEM and follows the river to USTILO. BRZESC and WLODZIMIRZ remain in Soviet territory. BIALA PODLASKA, LODA A, CHELM and HUBERTSZOW are in Polish territory. From HUBERTSZOW it follows the river BUG via SOHAL to KRYSZYKOWOL, both in Soviet territory, and then turns West to TOMASZOW in Polish territory. RAVA RUSSKA remains in Soviet territory. From South of TOMASZOW it runs in a southerly direction crossing the railway East of PRZEMYSL which remains in Polish territory and continues to the Czechoslovak frontier west of TURKIS, leaving SAMBOR, DROHOBYCH and BORYSLAW in Soviet territory.

3. Before you are moved you will be asked to answer the following question in the presence of the British Officer:-

"Are you willing to return to Poland now under conditions as you know them?"

4. If your answer to the question above is "No" you will be given another opportunity of making your choice. This will of course mean that your return to Poland will be delayed.

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SUBJECT: Return of PC 1001 DB

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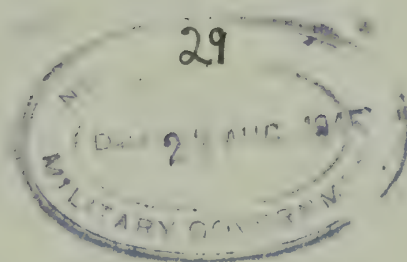
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Ext 2519
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R. D. Wagner
for EGS *M. G. Cas*

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21 to HCS (1)



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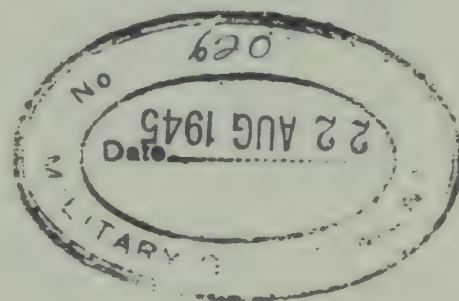
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See also 12 pgs/BU 70.

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MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

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Originator's No.

RE 1718 (.) SECRET (.) for Mil Gov and A (.) FIRST (.) possible but NOT repeat NO yet certain that repatriation of Poles imminent (.) SECOND (.) repatriation will start with those Polish PMA/DP whose homes are east of the CURZO Line or 1939 RUSSO GERMAN line of demarcation and who wish to return to that part of POLAND now (.) THIRD (.) the question should now be put to all Polish PMA/DPs in SECOND above in following terms (.) FOURTH (.) are you willing to return to POLAND now under conditions as you know them (.) FIFTH (.) if answer is negative it should be explained that this will not prejudice their final decision (.) SIXTH (.) Assembly Centres will ascertain numbers of such Poles forthwith (.) SEVENTH (.) it will be made clear to all concerned including Poles that while movement may begin in near future unforeseen circumstances may cause postponement (.) EIGHTH (.) confirming previous instructions (.) repeat NO Poles will be repatriated against their wish (.) 21 Army Group will issue Instr 46 para 30 (e) also refers (.) NINTH (.) Corps will report numbers to FOURTH above earliest and by 1400 latest (.) TENTH (.) instructions should be started by you so that in event repatriation starting at an early date you will know situation in at least some of the biggest camps and will thus be able to get volunteers moving (.) ELEVENTH (.) priority in repatriation will be given to POLISH in the RUHR (.) TWELFTH (.) Further instructions will be issued regarding Poles whose homes are EAST of the CURZO Line or 1939 RUSSO GERMAN boundary (.) THIRTEENTH (.) ADAMS Corps will attend meeting at MIL GOV B building 300 OBERHAUSEN at 1400 hrs 22 Aug at which political rep will clarify and answer questions

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Signed.	Signed.		Time Cleared		

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SUBJECT:- Repatriation

21 A G /16032/9/AGS(a).

21 Aug. 45.

Senior Polish LO for DP
RQ 21 Army Group.

Lt. Col. KRUCZKIEWICZ-Major CORYTON spoke.

1. It is confirmed that, according to existing policy, a woman married to a POLISH national is to be considered as a POLISH citizen and dealt with as such for the purpose of repatriation.

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Ext. 2248.

Major General.
DCM/11 Gov.

111 Gov. 8.
Headquarters.
21 Army Group.

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SECRET

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TO: Mr. Gov

Re: [illegible]

- (a) Draft TIR to Govs which is to be forwarded shall go out as soon as it is judged that preparations for [illegible] registration are [illegible].
- (b) Notes on description of [illegible] [illegible].

[Signature]

General
Mr. Mr. Gov

FROM: [illegible]

Mr. Mr. Gov,
[illegible]
[illegible]

Two Copies given to DMie Gov

17/8 personally.

DMie Gov took both copies to

LURBECK Conf 18/8.

18/8/1952

Copy to [illegible] [illegible]

one copy given to
Police Sec.

[Signature]

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21 A Co/1502/1503

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Information : ~~SECRET~~
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.....ITM (.) Possible that Registration of Poles now
imminent (.) ITM (.) Registration will start with those Poles
Poles whose homes are west of the CURCH Line or 1939 Poles - CURCH
boundary and who wish to return to that part of Poles now (.) ITM
(.) ITM will ascertain numbers of such Poles ^{forthwith} (.)
ITM (.) It must be made clear to all concerned incl Poles that
while movement may begin in near future unforeseen circumstances may
cause postponement (.) ITM (.) confirming previous instructions no
Poles will be registered against their wish 21 Army Co, ^{Mil Gov} Technical ~~ITM~~
Instr 46 para 30 (c) also refers (.) ITM (.) Corps will report
numbers in ITM above by 1 Sep

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SI 4 92/1032/G/103(a)

17 May 45.

SI 4 92/1032/G/103(a)

Herewith

- (a) Draft of the to be sent which it is recommended shall go out as soon as it is decided that preparations for police registration can start.
- (b) Notes on execution of National ID/PA.

R. B. Lough
Lieut Colonel

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Colonel
SI 4 92/1032/G/103(b)

SI 4 92/1032/G/103(a)

Herewith,
SI 4 92/1032/G/103(a),
SI 4 92/1032/G/103(b).

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FROM: EXFOR

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21 A Op/16032/4/438 (a)

To

- Action : 1 CORPS DIST
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.....FIRST (.) for Mil Gov and A(M) (.) FIRST (.) possible but NOT repeat NOT yet certain that repatriation of Poles imminent (.) SECOND (.) repatriation will start with those Polish PAX/DP whose homes are west of the CURZON Line or 1939 RUSSO POLISH Boundary and who wish to return to that part of POLAND now (.) THIRD (.) the question should now be put to all Polish PAX/DPs in SECOND above in following terms (.) BOTH Are you willing to return to POLAND now under conditions as you know them UNQUOTE if answer is negative it should be explained that this will not prejudice their final decision (.) FOURTH (.) Assembly Centres will ascertain numbers of such Poles forthwith (.) FIFTH (.) it will be made clear to all concerned including Poles that while movement may begin in near future unforeseen circumstances may cause postponement (.) SIXTH (.) confirming previous instructions NO repeat NO Poles will be repatriated against their wish (.) 21 Army Group Mil Gov tech Instr 45 para 30 (e) also refers (.) SEVENTH (.) Corps will report numbers in FOURTH above earliest and by 1 Sep latest (.) EIGHTH (.) investigation should be started by you so that in event repatriation starting at an early date you will know situation in at least some of the biggest camps and will thus be able to get volunteers moving (.) NINTH (.) priority in repatriation will be given to POLES in the RUHR (.) TENTH (.) further instructions will be issued regarding Poles whose homes are EAST of the CURZON Line or 1939 RUSSO POLISH Boundary/

1. Copy sent to Political div. of CC. 18 Aug. who stated must refer matter to higher authority.

2. D M G informed of above & telephoned to Sir Brian Robertson asking him to be a Expedite Clearance.

3. We await reply through D M G before despatch.

Distr :- DCM/Mil Gov
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Q (Nov)
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A. S. 19/8

6A
SUBJECT: DEB - POLISH.

21 A G /16052/G/ITD(a).

31 Jul 45.

1 Corps Hist Mil Gov.

Ref your 645/2/MG of 25 Jul 45.

1. This HQ has no knowledge of any plan to send POLISH women to the UK for the purposes suggested in your a/m letter.
2. As the information contained in the Newspapers mentioned by you is probably inaccurate would you please forward a cutting from one or more of them.

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Tel Extn. 3004.
Headquarters,
21 Army Group,
EIA.

Major General,
D CA/Mil Gov.

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CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY,
(BRITISH ELEMENT)

POLITICAL DIVISION

MAIN B.Q.,

B.L.A.

Pol.289

23rd July, 1945

Dear Teddy

You will remember asking Francis Brown about the obscure passage in the SHAN instruction on the disposal of non-enemy Displaced Persons whose nationality is affected by territorial changes.

I enclose a copy of a letter he has sent me from Berlin which will, I hope, give you the information you want. Would you be good enough to return the map when you have had copies made for your own use, as it is my only copy?

Yours ever

Ivor Pinks.

Major E.F. Clarke,
CIVIL Gov 10

SECRET

Cabinet Office,
British Delegation,
Three Power Conference

SECRET

17th July, 1947.

Dear Ivor,

I have had a word with Dennis Allen about the obscure passage in the STAFF Instruction about non-enemy displaced persons whose nationality is affected by territorial changes and, in particular, about the Latvians, Estonians, Lithuanians and Poles.

The attached map shows approximately both the Curzon Line and the 1939 Russo-German demarcation line. In point of fact the present Soviet-Polish frontier follows almost exactly the Curzon Line. Therefore, if any further instruction is really needed in the opinion of Military Government for the information of Corps Districts, it would be wise to leave out altogether any mention of the 1939 Soviet-German demarcation line.

I understand from Allen, however, that it would be most unwise at the present moment for any British authority to start registering Poles as the question of a mission from the new Polish Government in order to sort out Polish DPs is at present under discussion, and may well result in the new Polish Government sending people to do the registration. This, however, is still in the melting pot and presumably a comprehensive instruction will be coming from the War Office or the Foreign Office to say exactly how this matter should be tackled in its broadest aspects.

To sum up, therefore, it strikes me that it would be unwise for Military Government to confuse the minds of Corps Districts with yet another instruction about Poles if one is not strictly necessary, in view of the fact that the whole question is still under discussion.

Yours ever,
(sgd) FRANKS BROWN

Ivor Pink Esq
Political Division, C.C. for G
Lalbecke.

SUBJECT: DPs - POLISH.

615/2 MG

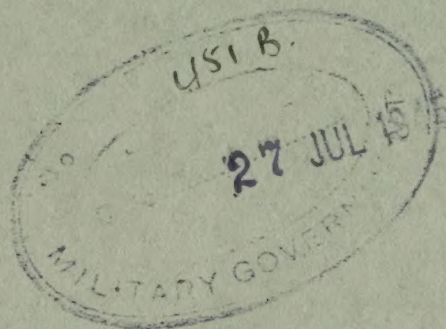
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25 Jul 45.

1. It has been noticed in ENGLISH newspapers that a number of POLISH GIRLS have been transferred to UK to work in hospitals.
2. A large number of POLES do not wish to return to POLAND for many years and would like to work in UK.
3. It is suggested that a large number of women would work in domestic service, and many men would volunteer for farm work, gardening etc.
4. As this suggestion will have far reaching results, and if acceptable, could be cleared before winter months, an early answer would be appreciated.

Ext.154
Mil Gov (DP)
ISERLOHN.
/ET.

L. G. Anderson
Capt for
Lieut. General,
Comd 1 Corps District.



2A
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SUBJECT:- Treatment of Poles, Lithuanians etc

21 A Op/6038/MIL Gov

30 June 45

DD MIL Gov (Adm) (two copies)

(P)

Ref att note from DD MIL Gov.

1. The amendment decided upon is contrary to existing BRANF policy. It will mean, for instance, that a Pole formerly residing in WARSAW, the capital of the reconstituted POLAND recognised by the Government of USSR, will not be allowed to return there unless he claims Soviet citizenship. It will, by implication, recognise POLAND as part of USSR.

2. If the policy of the British Government is to return all those Poles (who wish to return) to that part of POLAND which lies WEST of the "CURSON" line, as is thought to be the case, then the following amendment is suggested, which will avoid confusion regarding demarkation lines and frontier lines

Amendment Technical Instruction No. 46. Para 30 (e) line 2

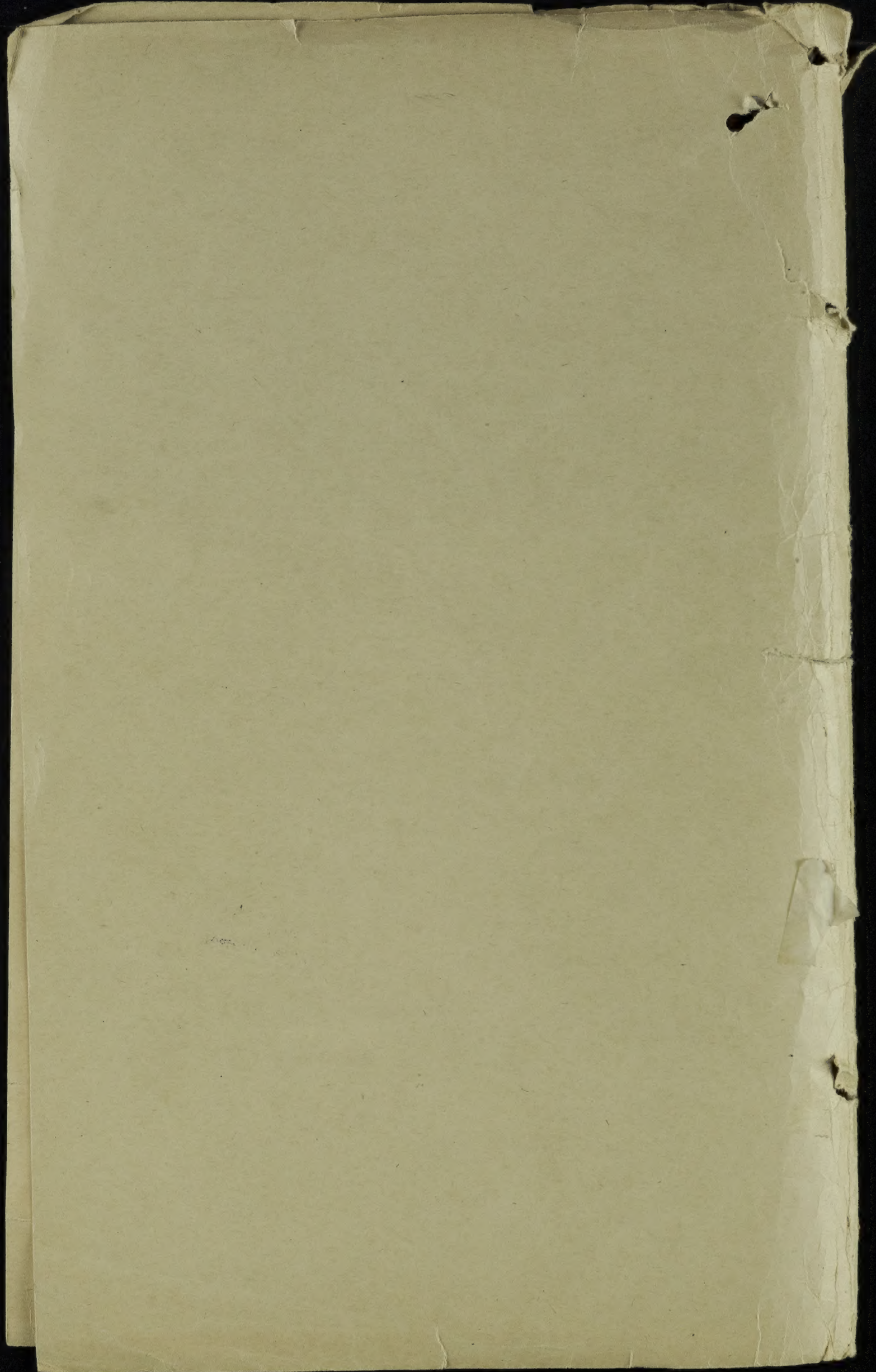
delete "the 1939 line of demarkation or"

insert after "CURSON Line" the words "or in the former countries of ESTONIA, LATVIA and LITHUANIA"

Ext 3014

Headquarters
21 Army Group
B L A
HQ/BD

M.
Colonel
MIL Gov 8



Repatriation Policy: Poles Vol I. June-December, 1945. MS Refugee Files from the Records of the Foreign Office, 1938-1950 FO 1052/262. The National Archives (Kew, United Kingdom). Refugees, Relief, and Resettlement, link.gale.com/apps/doc/APEBVU118737528/RRRW?u=griffith&sid=bookmark-RRRW&pg=1. Accessed 5 June 2025.